



***Children's Network***  
***Annual Report 2006***

# *Children's Network*

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Children's Network of San Bernardino County concerns itself with "children at-risk" defined as minors who, because of behavior, abuse, neglect, medical needs, educational assessment, or detrimental living situations, are eligible for services from one or more of the Children's Policy Council Member Agencies.

Those agencies include:

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*Juvenile Court*

*Transitional Assistance*

*Inland Regional Center*

*Probation Department*

*Public Health*

*Preschool Services*

*County Library*

*Public Defender*

*Superintendent of County Schools*

*First 5 San Bernardino*

*Board of Supervisors*

*Department of Children's Services*

*Behavioral Health*

*County Administrative Office*

*Children's Fund*

*Sheriff's Office*

*County Counsel*

*Community Action Partnership*

*Economic and Community Development*

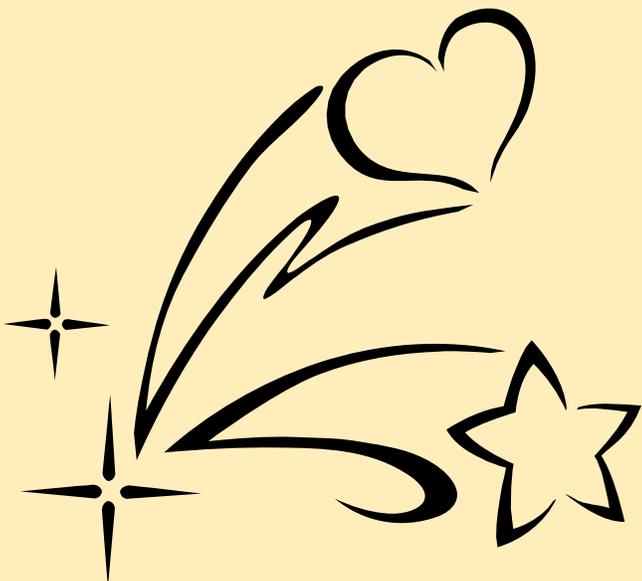
*Arrowhead Regional Medical Center*

*District Attorney's Office*

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# *2006 San Bernardino County Data Summary*



# 2006 San Bernardino County Children Data Summary

The California Department of Finance has projected the population of children and youth under the age of 18 years in San Bernardino County to be 573,105 in the year 2006. This represents 29% of the county's total population. Of the children and youth under 18 years of age in San Bernardino County, the highest percentage is projected to be among Hispanics (61.0%). *(Prepared by: Program Analysis and Statistics, County of San Bernardino Department of Public Health)*

In January 2006 there were 67,151 children in Cal WORKS families. That represents a 6.2% increase from January 2004 (63,000 children). San Bernardino County has a rate of 205.6 per 1000 children below poverty level, compared to 183.6 per 1000 in California, and 182.7 per 1000 in the United States *(2005 American Community Survey U.S. Census Bureau)*. *(Sources: HSS Legislation and Research Unit and Research, Analysis, and Vital Statistics, County of San Bernardino Department of Public Health October 2006)*

From 1994 to 2004, there has been a general decrease in the childhood death rates among San Bernardino County residents less than 18 years of age. From 2003 to 2004, the overall death rate for children increased by approximately 2% and the natural childhood death rate increased by approximately 3%. However, in 2004, there was an approximate 1% decrease from the year 2003 in the injury childhood death rate. The overall childhood death rate among San Bernardino County residents was 65.0 per 100,000 persons less than 18 years of age in 2004. In the same year, the death rate due to natural causes was 50.0 and the death rate due to injury causes was 15.0 *(Source: Research, Analysis, and Vital Statistics, County of San Bernardino Department of Public Health)*

In 2005 there were 40,173 unique children referred to the Department of Children's Services for suspected child abuse and neglect. There has been a steady annual increase in the number of referrals received by DCS. There was a 3% increase in the number of referrals received in 2005 over 2004. There has been a 25% increase in the number of referrals received since 2000. *(Source: Department of Children's Services)* The Child Maltreatment Rate in San Bernardino County is 9.8 per 1000 children, compared to 10.2 per 1000 in California *(2004, U.C. Berkeley Center for Social Services Research)*, and 11.9 per 1000 in the United States *(2004, U.S. Dept. Health and Human Services)*. *(Source: Department of Children's Services and HSS Legislation and Research Unit)*

In 2005 there were 7,482 minors booked into the three Juvenile Detention and Assessment Detention Centers in San Bernardino County. This represents a 13% increase over 2004. (Source: *San Bernardino County Probation Department*). In 2004, the Juvenile Arrest Rate in San Bernardino County was 29.3 per 1000, compared to California, 19.6 per 1000 (Calif. Department of Justice), and the United States, 21.9 per 1000 (Crime in the U.S., U.S. Dept. of Justice). (Source: *San Bernardino County Probation Department and Research, Analysis, and Vital Statistics, County of San Bernardino Department of Public Health October 2006*)

From August 2004 through September 2006 there have been 22,178 perinatal SART screens performed to detect tobacco, alcohol, and other substance abuse by pregnant women in San Bernardino County. This represents approximately 14,159 individual pregnant women who have been screened (all initial screens). Of the 14,159 individual women, 4,143 self-reported the use of tobacco, alcohol, and/or drugs at any time during their pregnancy (29.3%; this is use in the month before they knew they were pregnant and/or “last month”) (Source: *Department of Public Health*)

**2006 Children At-Risk Data**  
**By Children’s Network**  
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<b>Indicator Rates</b>	<b>2004</b>	<b>2005</b>	<b>2006</b>
<b>Children in Poverty</b>	<b>199.1<sup>1</sup></b>	<b>237.5</b>	<b>205.6</b>
<b>Child Maltreatment</b>	<b>10.5<sup>2</sup></b>	<b>10.7</b>	<b>9.8</b>
<b>Juvenile Arrests</b>	<b>33.6<sup>3</sup></b>	<b>29.2</b>	<b>29.3</b>
<b>Child Mortality</b>	<b>66.7<sup>4</sup></b>	<b>64.2</b>	<b>63.7</b>

<sup>1</sup>Per 1000 Children

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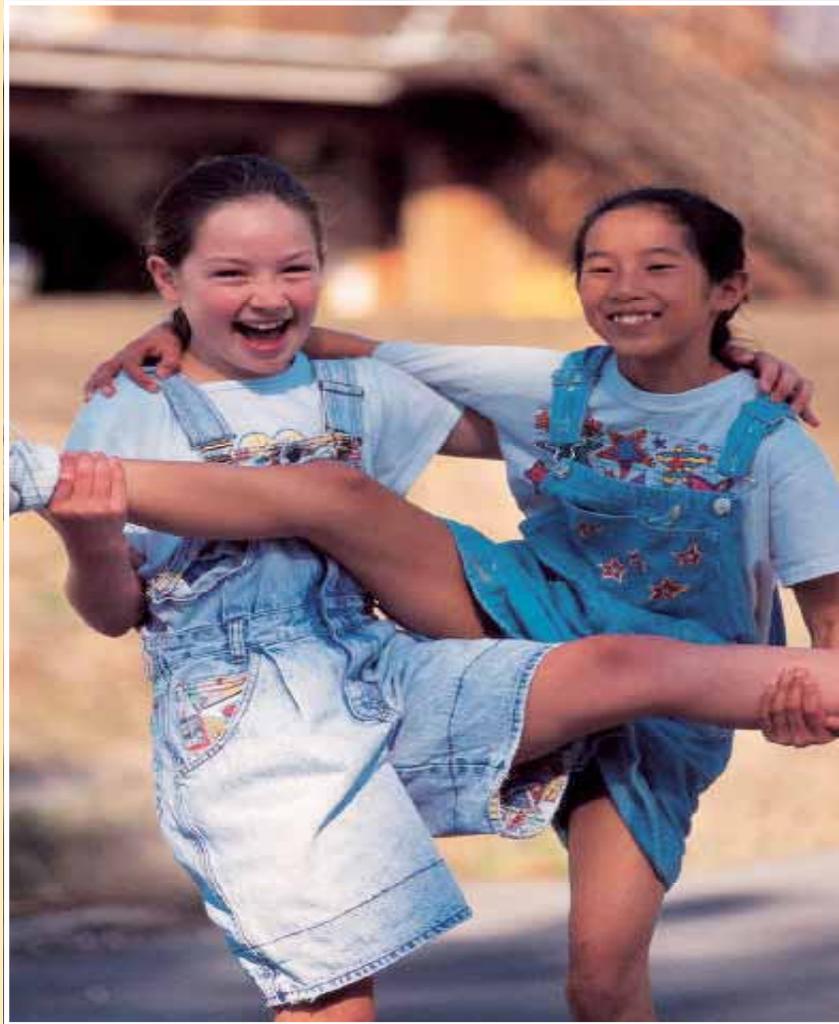
## San Bernardino County At-Risk Rates Compared to California and the United States

	San Bernardino County	California	United States
<b>Children in Poverty (age 0-17 years)</b>	205.6 per 1,000 children <sup>1</sup>	183.6 per 1,000 children <sup>2</sup>	182.7 per 1,000 children <sup>3</sup>
<b>Child Maltreatment (age 0-17 years)</b>	9.8 per 1,000 children <sup>4</sup>	10.2 per 1,000 children <sup>5</sup>	11.9 per 1,000 children <sup>6</sup>
<b>Juvenile Arrests (age 0-17 years)</b>	29.3 per 1,000 children <sup>7</sup>	19.6 per 1,000 children <sup>8</sup>	21.9 per 1,000 children <sup>9</sup>
<b>Child Mortality (age 0-17 years)</b>	63.7 per 100,000 children <sup>10</sup>	51.1 per 100,000 children <sup>11</sup>	63.6 per 100,000 children <sup>12</sup>
<b>High School Graduation Rates</b>	82.7% <sup>13</sup>	85.4% <sup>14</sup>	75.0% <sup>15</sup>
<b>High School Dropout Rates</b>	4.2% <sup>16</sup>	3.1% <sup>17</sup>	4.0% <sup>18</sup>

1. Data for the year 2005. Sources: U.S. Census Bureau, 2005 American Community Survey, *Poverty Status in the Past 12 Months by Sex by Age*; California Department of Finance, *Race/Ethnic Population with Age and Sex Detail, 2000–2050*, May 2004.
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4. Data for the year 2004. Sources: University of California at Berkeley, Center for Social Services Research, *2004 California Child Population (0-17), Child Maltreatment Referrals, Substantiations, and Entries*; California Department of Finance, *Race/Ethnic Population with Age and Sex Detail, 2000–2050*, May 2004.
5. Data for the year 2004. Sources: U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families, *Child Maltreatment 2004*; California Department of Finance, *Race/Ethnic Population with Age and Sex Detail, 2000–2050*, May 2004.
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10. Data for the year 2003. Sources: California Department of Health Services, Death Statistical Master File, 2003; California Department of Finance, *Race/Ethnic Population with Age and Sex Detail, 2000–2050*, May 2004.
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13. Data for the school year 2003-04. Source: California Department of Education, Educational Demographics Unit, DataQuest, *Statewide Graduation Rates Based on NCES Definition (with county data) Report, 2003-04*.
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16. Data for the school year 2002-03. Source: California Department of Education, Educational Demographics Unit, DataQuest, *Dropouts by Grade (with county data) Report, 2002-03*.
17. Data for the school year 2002-03. Source: California Department of Education, Educational Demographics Unit, DataQuest, *Dropouts by Grade (with county data) Report, 2002-03*.
18. Data for October 2003. Source: U.S. Department of Education, National Center for Education Statistics, Institute of Education Sciences, *Dropout Rates in the United States: 2002 and 2003*.

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*Children's Network  
Activities & Outcomes  
2006*



# Children's Network 2006 Activities & Outcomes

## Children's Policy Council

- Continued support of the Child Welfare Services Self Assessment process and forwarded recommendations to the Board of Supervisors.
- Continued the process to track group home complaints in conjunction with AB 2149, the County sponsored group home legislation from 2004; developed the 2006 Group Home Needs Assessment in conjunction with the Human Service Legislation and Research Unit.
- Forwarded contract recommendations to the Board of Supervisors for the Promoting Safe and Stable Family federal funds, and the Child Abuse Prevention Intervention and Treatment funds.
- Forwarded recommendation to the Board of Supervisors to declare April 2006 Child Abuse Prevention Month in San Bernardino County; and, hosted the "Eighth Annual Shine a Light on Child Abuse Awards Breakfast."
- Developed the SART Memorandum of Understanding in conjunction with First 5 and other partners to screen, assess, and provide treatment services for children ages 0-5 that are at high risk for emotional/behavioral problems; also, collaborated with the Department of Behavioral Health to fund the High Desert and East/Central Valley SART Assessment Centers through EPSDT Medi-Cal billing.
- Continued to facilitate the Drug Endangered Children Task Force in conjunction with the Sheriff's Office, the Departments of Children's Services and Public Health to insure a coordinated response for children found at methamphetamine drug manufacturing sites
- Hosted the 20th Annual Children's Network Conference: "20 Years improving Coordination, Collaboration & Communication."
- Continued coordination activities with the County wide Gangs and Drugs Task Force on early intervention strategies with youth at high risk for gang affiliation.
- Facilitated the "Mynisha's Circle" and "Operation Phoenix" planning processes in conjunction with the Fifth Supervisorial District and Mayor's Office in the City of San Bernardino.
- Assisted in the development of Juvenile Mental Health Court model.
- Established a Cultural Competence Committee and Cultural Competence Memorandum of Understanding for Children's Policy Council member agencies.
- Participated in the Mental Health Services Act planning process.
- Held the first Foster Care Summit on November 20, 2006. The Children's Policy Council created a Foster Care Steering Committee to make improvements in the Foster Care System.

## Children's Fund

- There were 63,000 total children served by Children's Fund in FY 2005/2006.
- There were 4,500 children served through the Daily Referral Program.
- \$46,439 was expended to assist families with living expenses.
- \$53,919 was expended to meet the health care needs and social development for children.
- \$304,000 was allocated for other/additional Program Support: SART, PANDA, etc.
- \$604,147 was spent on the Christmas Celebration of Giving FY 2005/2006

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*In celebrating two decades of success, Children's Fund has raised in excess of 16 million dollars and made a difference in more than 1 million lives.*

## Family Preservation Councils

- Served 455 at-risk children through the Regional Family Preservation Council.
- Served an additional 56 at-risk children through consultations with SARB Boards and referrals for services and resources to these children and their families.
- Served on SARB Boards in the cities of Fontana, Rialto, Colton, San Bernardino, Redlands, and Yucaipa/Calimesa, and County SARB Board.
- Prevented the need for foster care placement for 93% of the children referred.
- Diverted 55 children from group home placement for an estimated savings of \$1.85 million (based on an RCL-12 group home rate of \$5,613/month at a six month length of stay).





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# *Child Abuse Prevention Awards Breakfast*

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## **Jack Brown Lifetime Advocate and Honorees 2005**



# Child Abuse Prevention Council

(More from the Annual Breakfast)

- Collaborated on the Child Abuse Prevention Campaign with cities throughout San Bernardino County. Received proclamations from cities, provided materials for city residents.
- Distributed over 300,000 relevant awareness pieces regarding positive parenting.
- Attended or was represented at 75 meetings, safety fairs, city council meetings, & other gatherings of residents in San Bernardino County. Received a Proclamation from all 24 cities in San Bernardino County
- Tracked number of drownings & children left unattended in vehicles for long term analysis of incidents as they pertain to safety campaigns.
- Filled 75 orders for thousands of awareness materials provided to partner agencies.
- Hosted the Annual Children's Network Conference with more than 400 individuals attending. Several out-of-state & local workshop presenters provided regional professionals best practices in many disciplines.
- Continued collaboration with the Far Southern Counties Regional Child Abuse Prevention Councils in statewide and regional themes and awareness campaigns.
- Hosted the Annual Awards Breakfast honoring individuals and professionals for outstanding work on behalf of abused children.



# *Interagency & Community Partnerships 2006*



# Interagency & Community Partnerships

In an effort to improve outcomes for children and their families, Children’s Network helps to establish and support partnerships with other public and private child serving agencies throughout San Bernardino County and beyond. The following is a listing of some of the partnerships in which Children’s Network is involved:

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Head Start Shared Governance Board	Workforce Investment Board Youth Council
County School Attendance Review Board	Perinatal Coalition on Drug & Alcohol Abuse
Countywide Gangs & Drugs Task Force	San Bernardino City, Redlands & Ontario / Montclair School Attendance Review Boards (SARB)
Juvenile Justice Coordinating Council	Family 2 Family Integration Team
Law Enforcement Education Partnership	Southern Region Child Abuse Prevention Coalition
Children’s Lobby	Southern Region Child Death Review Coalition
Child Death Review Team	
Montclair Community Collaborative	
First 5 Advisory Board	

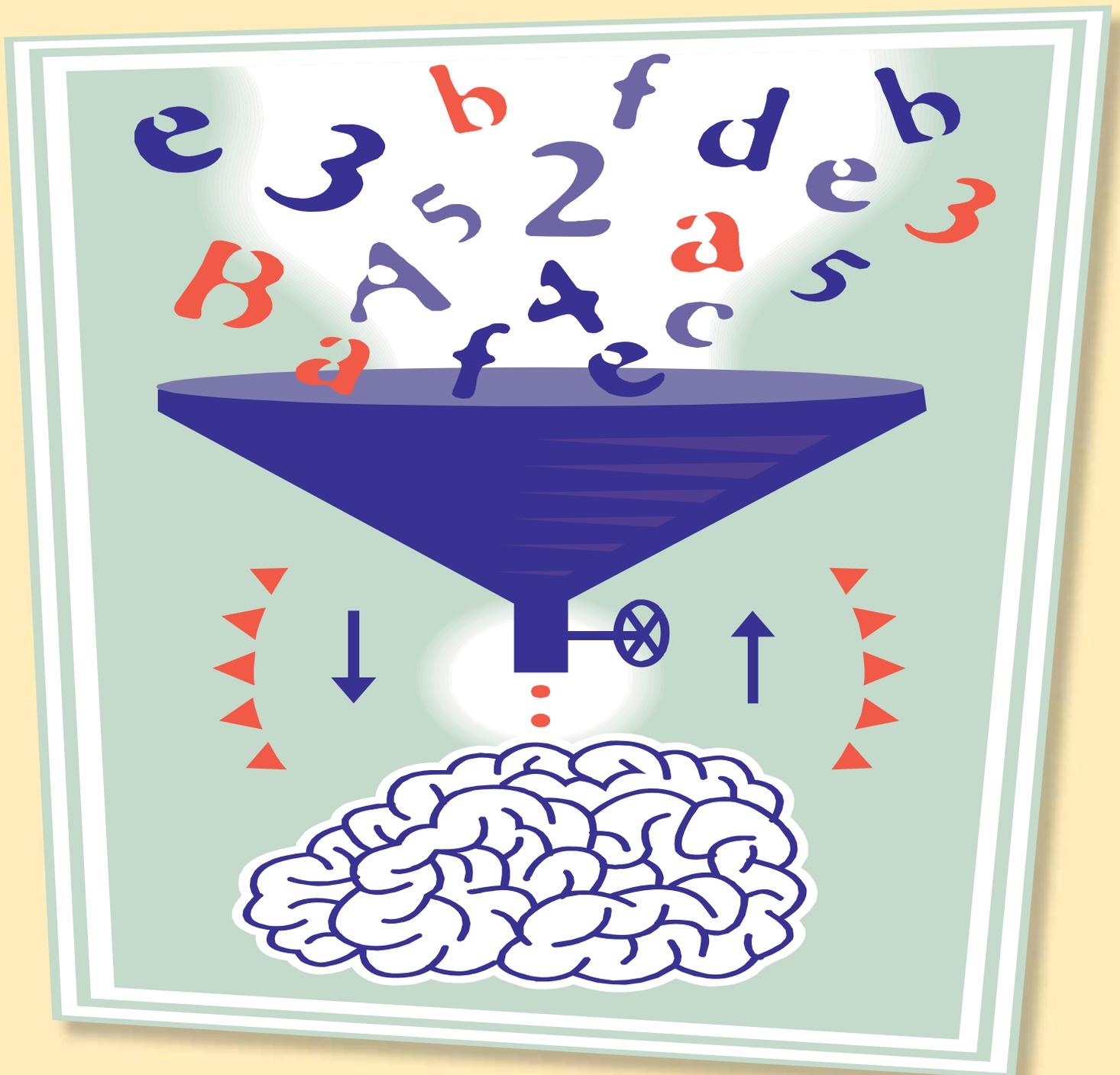
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## Children’s Network Collaborations

Focus West Advisory Council  
East Valley Community Collaborative  
High Desert Partnership for Kids  
Bear Valley Community Network

# *San Bernardino County Demographic Data*

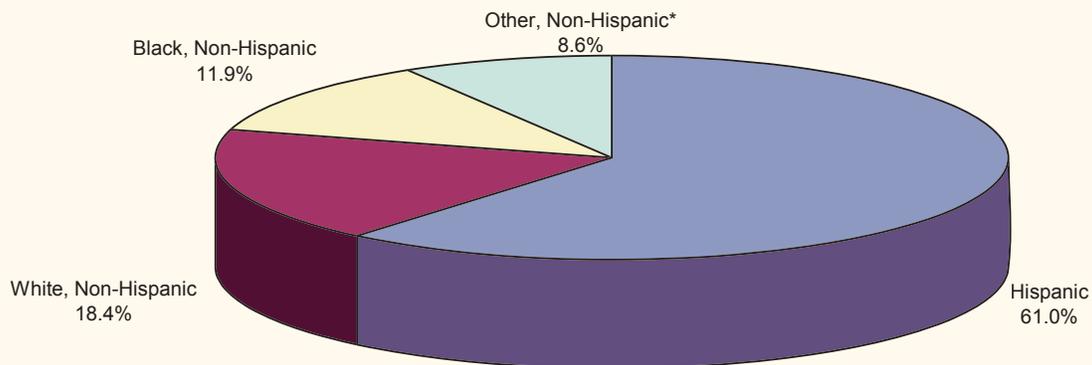
## *Appendix 1*



## CHILDREN & YOUTH DEMOGRAPHICS

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**Percent of San Bernardino County Population Under 18 Years by Race/Ethnicity  
Year 2006 Population Projections**



\*Other includes the following Non-Hispanic races: American Indian, Asian & Pacific Islander and Multirace.

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Source: State of California, Department of Finance, *Race/Ethnic Population with Age and Sex Detail, 2000-2050*. Sacramento, CA, May 2004  
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**San Bernardino County Population Demographics by Age and Race/Ethnicity  
Year 2006 Population Projections**

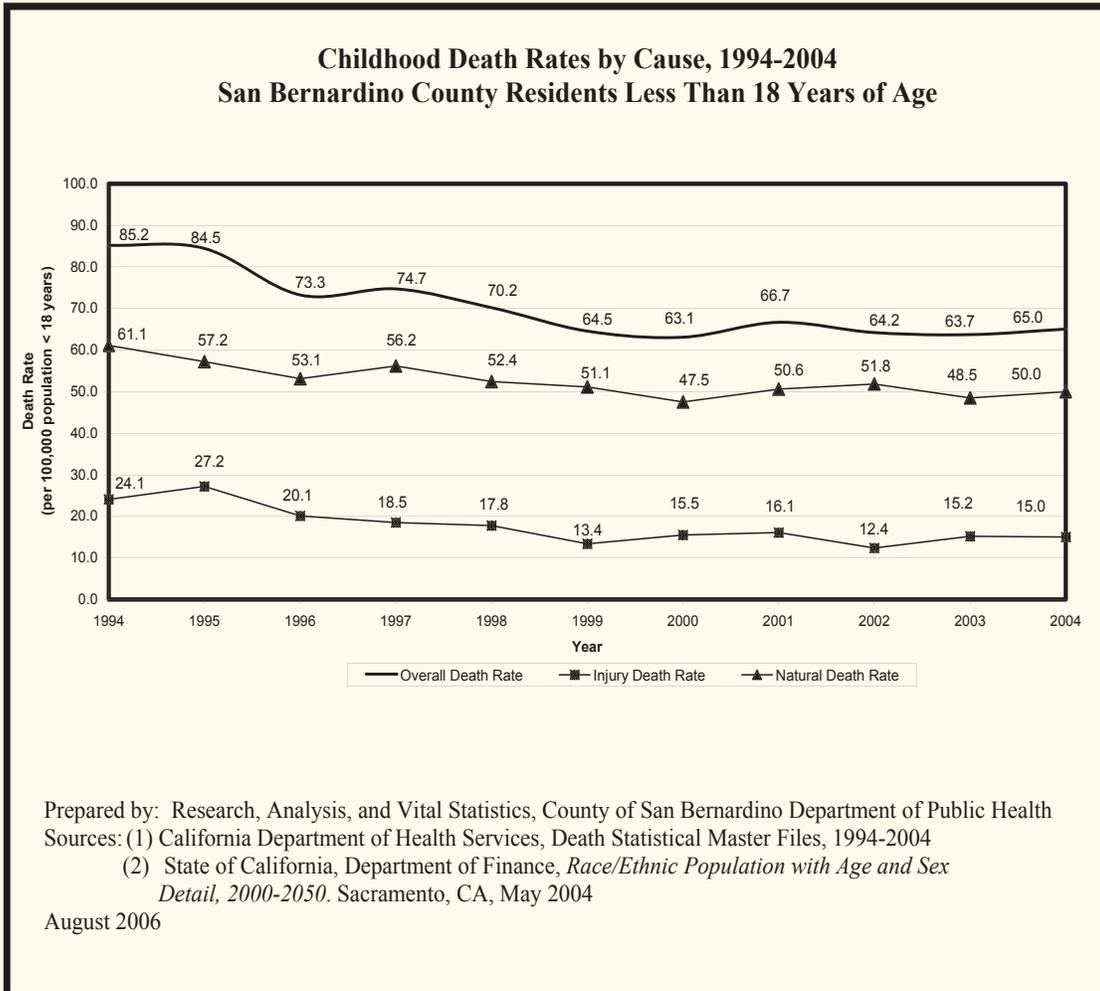
Race/Ethnicity	All Ages	18 Years and Over	Under 18 Years	% Under 18 Years
<b>Total Population</b>	1,978,923	1,405,818	573,105	29.0
<b>Hispanic (of any race)</b>	1,021,181	671,360	349,821	34.3
<b>White, Non-Hispanic</b>	559,256	453,722	105,534	18.9
<b>Black, Non-Hispanic</b>	207,809	139,415	68,394	32.9
<b>American Indian, Non-Hispanic</b>	13,675	10,238	3,437	25.1
<b>Asian and Pacific Islander, Non-Hispanic</b>	141,233	111,367	29,866	21.1
<b>Multiple Race, Non-Hispanic</b>	35,769	19,716	16,053	44.9

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Source: State of California, Department of Finance, *Race/Ethnic Population with Age and Sex Detail, 2000-2050*. Sacramento, CA, May 2004  
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**CHILD DEATHS**

From 1994 to 2004, there has been a general decrease in the childhood death rates among San Bernardino County residents less than 18 years of age. From 2003 to 2004, the overall death rate for children increased by approximately 2% and the natural childhood death rate increased by approximately 3%. However, in 2004, there was an approximate 1% decrease from the year 2003 in the injury childhood death rate.

The overall childhood death rate among San Bernardino County residents was 65.0 per 100,000 persons less than 18 years of age in 2004. In the same year, the death rate due to natural causes was 50.0, and the death rate due to injury causes was 15.0.



# *Child Death Review Team*



The following table presents the Child Death Review Team's (CDRT) findings for deaths in 2005. Similar to the Fetal Infant Mortality Review process, information is obtained from parents, vital records, the Coroner's Office, and medical records. The intent of the review process is to identify factors or circumstances contributing to child deaths in the hope of preventing future occurrences. It should be noted that the conclusions of the CDRT may not match the counts by cause of death compiled from vital records.



In 2004, there were 219 deaths among persons under the age of one year in San Bernardino County. Approximately 53% of these deaths were due to certain conditions originating in the perinatal period. In addition, congenital malformations, deformations and chromosomal abnormalities accounted for approximately 25% of the deaths among infants in San Bernardino County. Also, approximately 1% of infant deaths in 2004 were due to external causes (injuries).

**Causes of Death Among Persons Under One Year of Age  
San Bernardino County Residents, 2004**

Cause of Death Description	ICD-10 Code*	Number of Deaths
Certain Conditions Originating in the Perinatal Period**	P00-P96	116
Congenital Malformations, Deformations and Chromosomal Abnormalities	Q00-Q99	54
Symptoms, Signs and Abnormal Findings, Not Classified	R00-R99	32
a) SIDS		18
b) Other Symptoms, Signs and Abnormal Findings		14
Diseases of the Nervous System	G00-G98	2
Diseases of the Circulatory System	I00-I99	2
Diseases of the Digestive System	K00-K92	1
External Causes	V01-Y89	3
a) Accidents		3
b) Assault (Homicide)		0
c) Other External Causes		0
Diseases of the Genitourinary System	N00-N98	1
Infectious and Parasitic Diseases	A00-B99	6
Endocrine, Nutritional and Metabolic Diseases	E00-E88	1
Diseases of the Blood and Blood-Forming Organs	D50-D89	1
<b>ALL CAUSES</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>219</b>

\*International Classification of Diseases, 10<sup>th</sup> Revision of the World Health Organization (ICD-10), Centers for Disease Control and Prevention/National Center for Health Statistics Cause-of-Death Lists for Tabulating Mortality Statistics Instruction Manual Part 9 (Updated November 2001), List of 130 Selected Causes of Infant Death.

\*\*Includes *Newborn affected by maternal factors and by complications of pregnancy, labor and delivery; Disorders related to length of gestation and fetal malnutrition; Birth trauma; Intrauterine hypoxia and birth asphyxia; Respiratory distress of newborn; Other respiratory conditions originating in the perinatal period; Infections specific to the perinatal period; Hemorrhagic and hematological disorders of newborn; Syndrome of infant of a diabetic mother and neonatal diabetes mellitus; Necrotizing enterocolitis of newborn; Hydrops fetalis not due to hemolytic disease; Other perinatal conditions.*

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Source: California Department of Health Services, Death Statistical Master File, 2004  
August 2006

Among San Bernardino County residents between the ages of 1-17 years, there were 153 deaths in the year 2004. Approximately 54% of these deaths were due to external (injury) causes. These included transport accidents, accidental drowning and submersion, accidental inhalation and ingestion of food or other objects causing obstruction of respiratory tract, accidental poisoning and exposure to noxious substances, accidental suffocation and strangulation, cataclysmic storm and flood, assault (homicide), intentional self-harm (suicide), and other external causes. Neoplasms among children and youth residing in San Bernardino County accounted for 11.7% of deaths, while diseases of the nervous system accounted for 9.8% of deaths in 2004.

**Causes of Death Among Persons Age 1-17 Years  
San Bernardino County Residents, 2004**

Cause of Death Description	ICD-10 Code*	Number of Deaths
External Causes	V01-Y89	83
a) Transport Accidents		42
b) Accidental Drowning and Submersion		10
c) Accidental Inhalation and Ingestion of Food or Other Objects Causing Obstruction of Respiratory Tract		1
d) Accidental poisoning and exposure to noxious substances		3
e) Other Accidental Suffocation and Strangulation		2
f) Cataclysmic Storm and Flood		1
g) Assault (Homicide)		12
h) Intentional Self-Harm (Suicide)		5
i) Other External Causes		7
Neoplasms	C00-D48	18
Diseases of the Nervous System	G00-G98	15
Congenital Malformations, Deformations and Chromosomal Abnormalities	Q00-Q99	11
Diseases of the Circulatory System	I00-I99	6
Endocrine, Nutritional and Metabolic Diseases	E00-E88	6
Diseases of the Digestive System	K00-K92	3
Infectious and Parasitic Diseases	A00-B99	3
Diseases of the Respiratory System	J00-J98	2
Symptoms, Signs and Abnormal Findings, Not Classified	R00-R99	2
Diseases of the Blood and Blood-Forming Organs	D50-D89	1
Diseases of the Genitourinary System	N00-N98	1
All Other Causes		2
<b>ALL CAUSES</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>153</b>

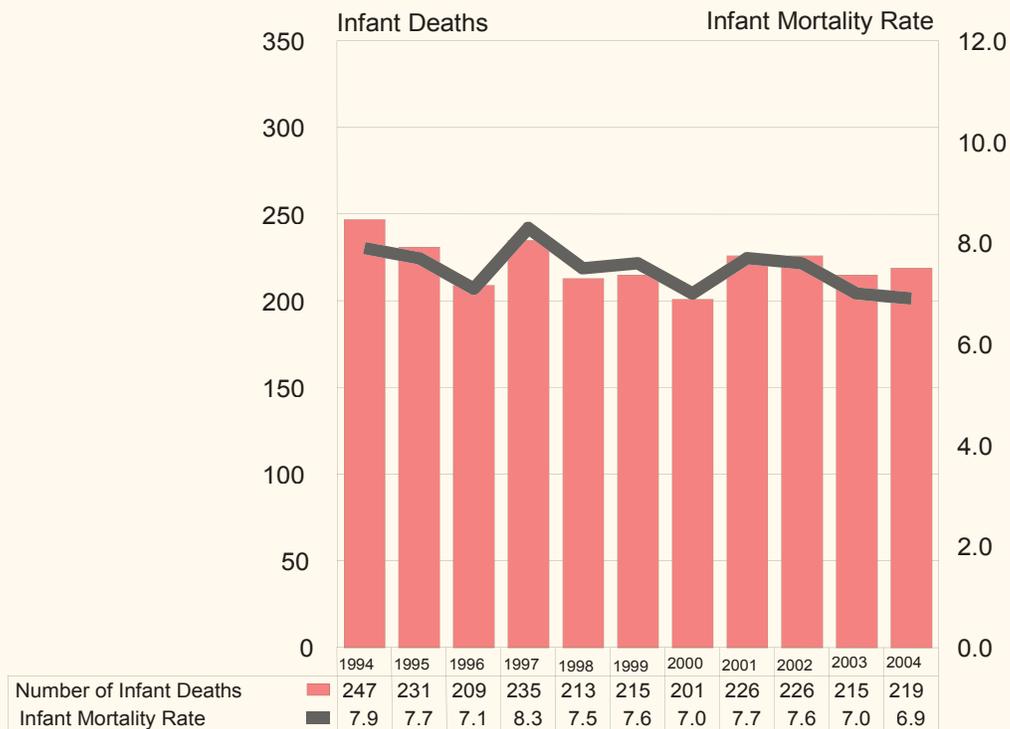
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Source: California Department of Health Services, Death Statistical Master File, 2004  
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## INFANT MORTALITY RATE

Since 1997, the number of infant deaths among San Bernardino County residents generally has been decreasing. In 2004, there was a 1.9% increase in the number of infant deaths as compared to the previous year. However, there was a 1.4% decrease in the infant mortality rate during this same time period. The 219 infant deaths in the year 2004 represented an infant mortality rate (IMR) of 6.9 per 1,000 live births as compared to 7.0 per 1,000 live births in 2003.

**Simple Infant Mortality Rates\***  
**San Bernardino County Residents, 1994-2004**



NOTE: Infant Mortality Rate defined as infant (less than one year of age) deaths per 1,000 live births.

\*Simple Infant Mortality Rate defined as infant deaths in particular year divided by live births in that year, birth-deaths not matched.

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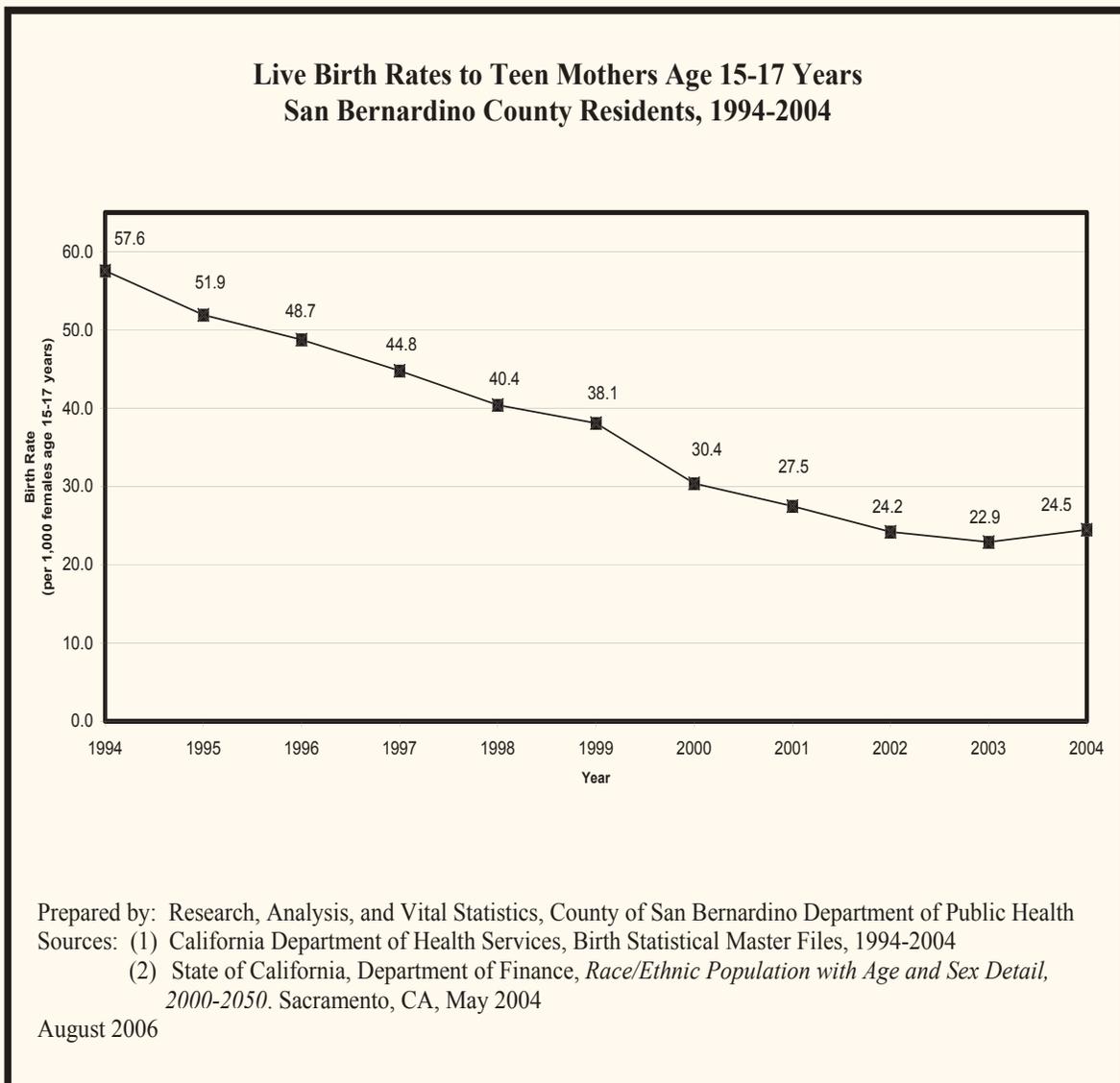
Sources: (1) California Department of Health Services, Death Statistical Master Files, 1994-2004

(2) California Department of Health Services, Birth Statistical Master Files, 1994-2004

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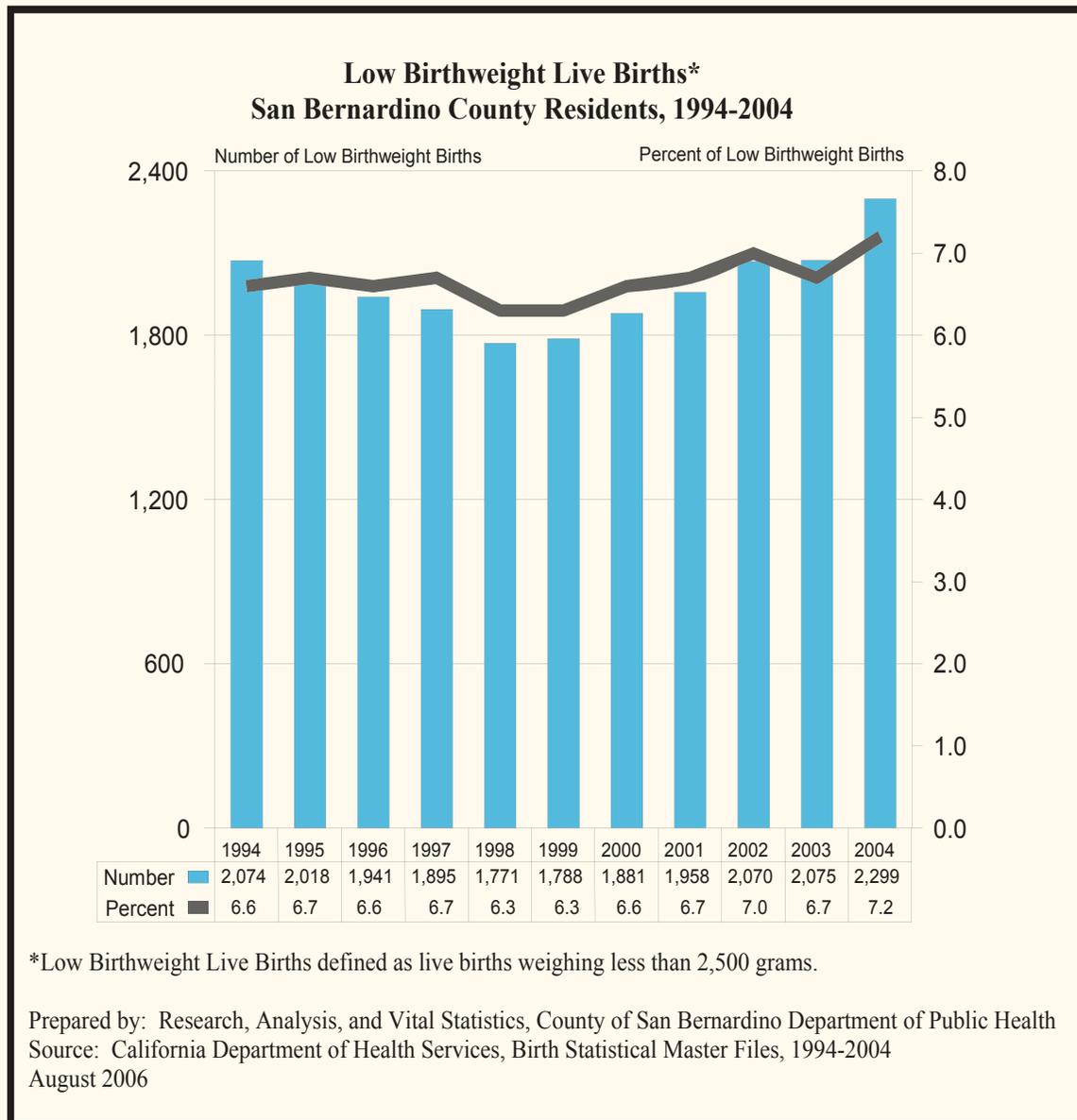
## LIVE BIRTHS TO TEEN MOTHERS

In 2004, the birth rate to teen mothers age 15-17 years in San Bernardino County was 24.5 per 1,000 females age 15-17 years. Since 1994, there has been a general decline in the birth rates among teens; however, there was an approximate 7% increase from the years 2003 to 2004.



## LOW BIRTHWEIGHT LIVE BIRTHS

The percentage of low birthweight births in San Bernardino County has fluctuated between 6.3% and 7.0% over the past decade. However, there was a 7.5% increase in low birthweight births in the year 2004 as compared to the previous year. In 2004, 7.2% of all live births in San Bernardino County were low birthweight. A low birthweight birth is defined as a live birth weighing less than 2,500 grams (5 pounds, 8 ounces).



### Infant Mortality Rates Among San Bernardino County Residents by ZIP Code, 2004

ZIP Code	Number of Infant Deaths	Number of Live Births	Infant Mortality Rate*
91701	3	416	*
91709	5	980	5.1
91710	5	1,050	4.8
91730	6	953	6.3
91737	2	221	*
91739	3	349	*
91761	3	1,005	*
91762	11	1,161	9.5
91763	4	620	*
91764	5	1,122	4.5
91784	2	182	*
91786	5	763	6.6
92252	2	109	*
92277	5	573	8.7
92284	2	250	*
92301	4	501	*
92307	6	457	13.1
92308	3	462	*
92311	3	584	*
92313	1	152	*
92314	2	94	*
92316	4	590	*
92324	12	1,148	10.5
92327	1	8	*
92335	9	2,143	4.2
92336	10	1,324	7.6
92337	2	590	*
92345	8	1,287	6.2
92346	4	809	*
92347	1	17	*
92354	1	283	*
92359	1	105	*
92363	1	64	*
92371	1	111	*
92374	5	533	9.4
92376	18	1,631	11.0
92391	1	40	*
92392	13	1,103	11.8
92394	2	298	*
92395	2	112	*
92397	1	48	*
92398	1	17	*
92399	1	610	*
92401	2	91	*
92404	10	1,272	7.9
92405	1	653	*
92407	8	948	8.4
92408	1	337	*
92410	9	1,274	7.1
92411	5	570	8.8
Unknown ZIP	1	41	*

\**Infant Mortality Rate* defined as infant (less than one year of age) deaths per 1,000 live births. *Infant Mortality Rate* suppressed for death counts less than five.

Note: Precaution when interpreting infant mortality rates based on death counts less than 20 because they may be statistically unreliable.

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Sources: (1) California Department of Health Services, Death Statistical Master Files, 2004

(2) California Department of Health Services, Birth Statistical Master Files, 2004

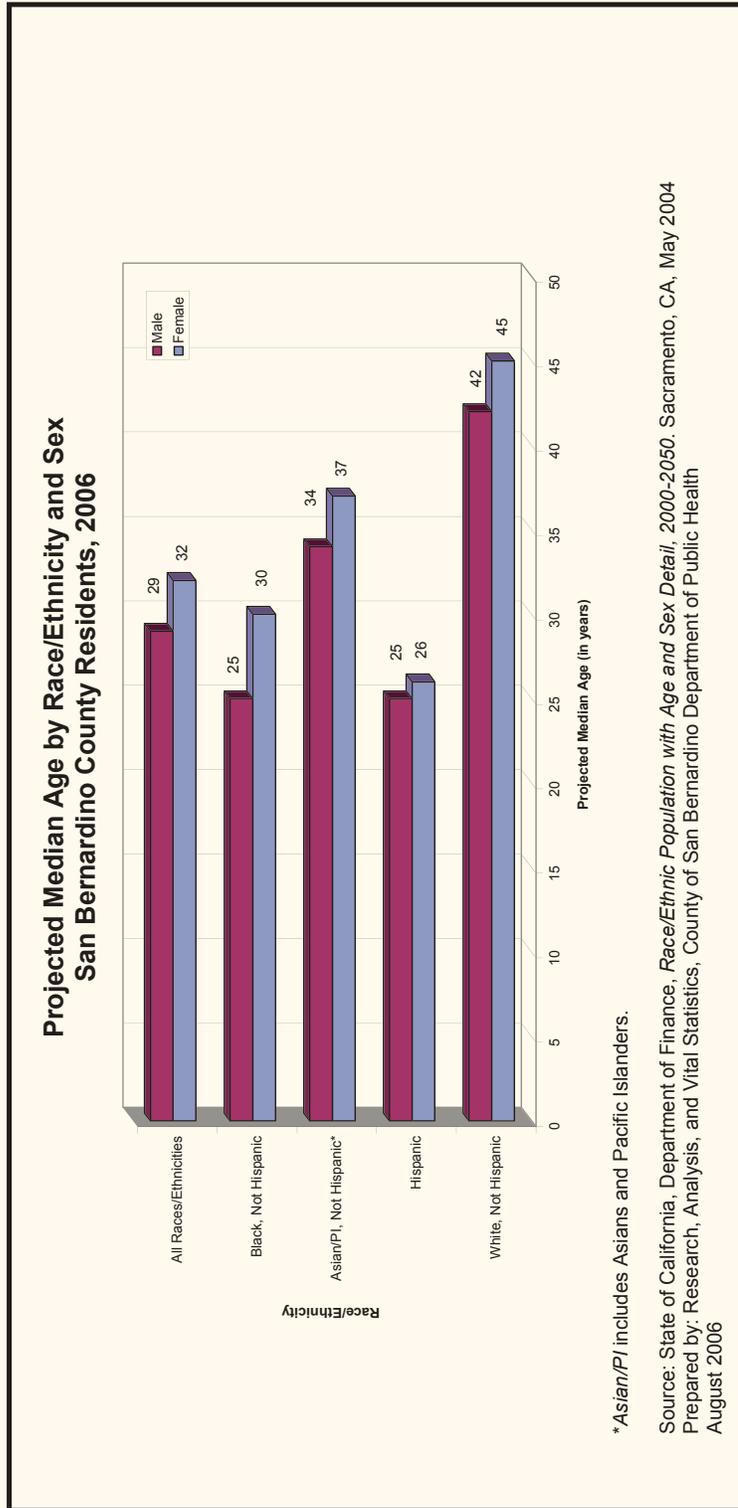
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San Bernardino County Population Demographics by Age, Race/Ethnicity, and Sex  
Year 2006 Population Projections

Age group, years	White, Not Hispanic			Hispanic			Asian/P.I., Not Hispanic*			Black, Not Hispanic			Total		
	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total
0-4	13,565	13,193	26,758	49,415	47,173	96,588	3,892	3,797	7,689	7,445	7,138	14,583	76,568	73,483	150,051
5-17	40,835	37,941	78,776	129,846	123,387	253,233	11,588	10,589	22,177	27,766	26,045	53,811	217,670	205,384	423,054
18-34	57,762	50,303	108,065	166,426	150,659	317,085	19,230	19,318	38,548	26,669	26,570	53,239	276,205	252,903	529,108
35-49	59,678	59,842	119,520	109,419	107,148	216,567	16,388	19,040	35,428	20,869	24,617	45,486	210,298	215,016	425,314
50-64	64,173	64,742	128,915	44,840	48,306	93,146	11,298	13,106	24,404	12,945	14,327	27,272	136,195	143,886	280,081
65+	42,526	54,696	97,222	18,601	25,961	44,562	5,078	7,909	12,987	5,770	7,648	13,418	73,400	97,915	171,315
Total	278,539	280,717	559,256	518,547	502,634	1,021,181	67,474	73,759	141,233	101,464	106,345	207,809	990,336	988,587	1,978,923
Median Age	42	45	44	25	26	26	34	37	35	25	30	27	29	32	31

\*Asian/P.I. includes Asians and Pacific Islanders.

Source: State of California, Department of Finance, *Race/Ethnic Population with Age and Sex Detail, 2000-2050*. Sacramento, CA, May 2004  
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**San Bernardino County Child Population by Race/Ethnicity, Sex, and Age Group: 2006 Population Projections**

Age Group (yrs.)	All Race/Ethnicities		White		Hispanic		Asian/Pacific Islander		Black		Native American		Multiple Race								
	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female						
<1	32,161	16,400	15,761	4,814	2,446	2,368	21,848	11,153	10,695	1,694	861	833	3,112	1,588	1,524	150	75	75	543	277	266
1-4	117,890	60,168	57,722	21,944	11,119	10,825	74,740	38,262	36,478	5,995	3,031	2,964	11,471	5,857	5,614	508	250	258	3,232	1,649	1,583
5-9	141,334	72,654	68,680	30,157	15,602	14,555	81,645	41,908	39,737	6,480	3,337	3,143	16,830	8,641	8,189	780	360	420	5,442	2,806	2,636
10-14	167,853	86,354	81,499	26,700	13,837	12,863	104,642	53,654	50,988	8,746	4,572	4,174	22,223	11,519	10,704	1,206	592	614	4,336	2,180	2,156
15-17	113,867	58,662	55,205	21,919	11,396	10,523	66,946	34,284	32,662	6,951	3,679	3,272	14,758	7,606	7,152	793	396	397	2,500	1,301	1,199
<b>Total</b>	<b>573,105</b>	<b>294,238</b>	<b>278,867</b>	<b>105,534</b>	<b>54,400</b>	<b>51,134</b>	<b>349,821</b>	<b>179,261</b>	<b>170,560</b>	<b>29,866</b>	<b>15,480</b>	<b>14,386</b>	<b>68,394</b>	<b>35,211</b>	<b>33,183</b>	<b>3,437</b>	<b>1,673</b>	<b>1,764</b>	<b>16,053</b>	<b>8,213</b>	<b>7,840</b>

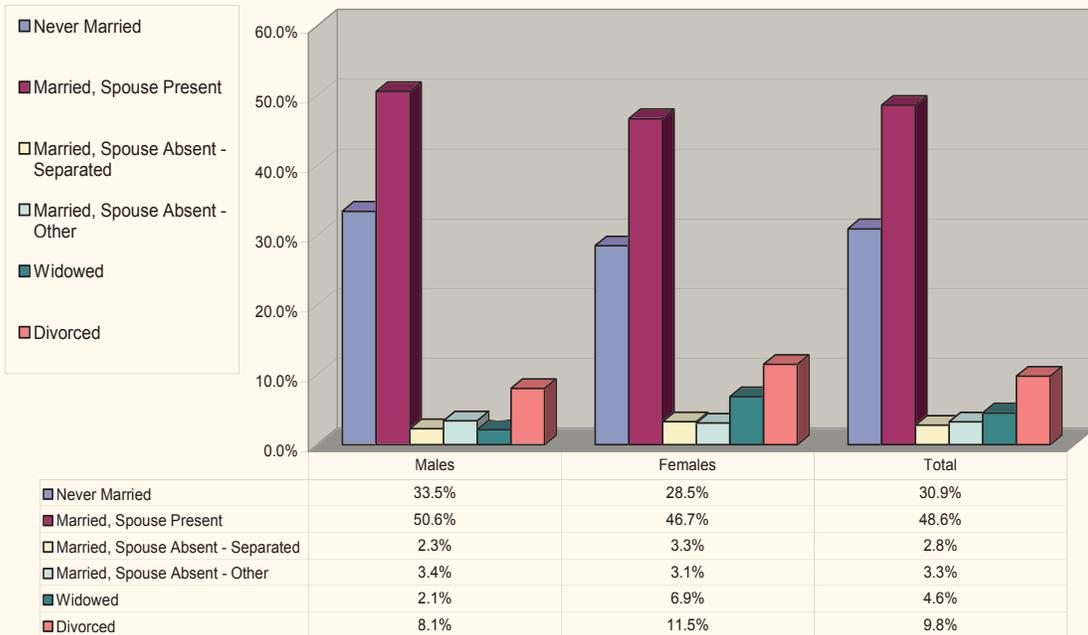
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**Persons Age 15 Years and Over by Marital Status and Sex  
San Bernardino County Residents, 2005**

Marital Status	Males		Females		Total	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Never Married	232,740	33.5%	206,674	28.5%	439,414	30.9%
Married, Spouse Present	352,122	50.6%	338,708	46.7%	690,830	48.6%
Married, Spouse Absent - Separated	15,930	2.3%	23,836	3.3%	39,766	2.8%
Married, Spouse Absent - Other	23,814	3.4%	22,487	3.1%	46,301	3.3%
Widowed	14,873	2.1%	49,807	6.9%	64,680	4.6%
Divorced	56,053	8.1%	83,389	11.5%	139,442	9.8%
<b>Total</b>	<b>695,532</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>724,901</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>1,420,433</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

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Source: U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey, 2005  
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**Percent Distribution of Persons Age 15 Years and Over by Marital Status and Sex  
San Bernardino County Residents, 2005**



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Source: U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey, 2005  
August 2006

### San Bernardino County Population Projections by Race/Ethnicity, Gender and Age, 2010

Age	All Races/Ethnicities		White		Hispanic	
	Total	Male	Total	Male	Total	Male
All	2,133,377	1,067,937	475,005	236,839	1,201,405	609,923
0-4	170,758	87,100	20,327	10,316	119,478	61,037
5-9	147,835	75,639	22,629	11,476	95,098	48,765
10-14	151,534	78,132	19,547	10,344	96,888	49,692
15-19	184,243	95,248	21,106	11,005	119,817	61,730
20-24	189,274	99,011	30,539	16,661	115,577	59,744
25-29	169,350	90,090	28,107	15,841	105,939	55,999
30-34	157,527	82,595	24,208	13,374	103,240	54,923
35-39	154,437	75,899	22,319	10,315	101,102	52,038
40-44	146,269	72,160	25,070	12,401	88,898	45,197
45-49	140,752	69,111	34,438	17,469	73,052	36,135
50-54	129,921	63,821	43,269	21,662	56,310	27,837
55-59	109,341	52,742	43,581	21,419	40,915	19,731
60-64	88,549	42,641	41,167	20,488	28,407	13,345
65-69	62,953	29,472	30,423	14,875	19,312	8,615
70-74	47,187	21,162	22,792	10,760	14,110	5,956
75-79	35,552	15,093	17,772	7,949	10,660	4,327
80-84	25,073	10,015	13,639	5,677	7,089	2,764
85+	22,822	8,006	14,072	4,807	5,512	2,088
MEDIAN	31	30	48	47	27	27

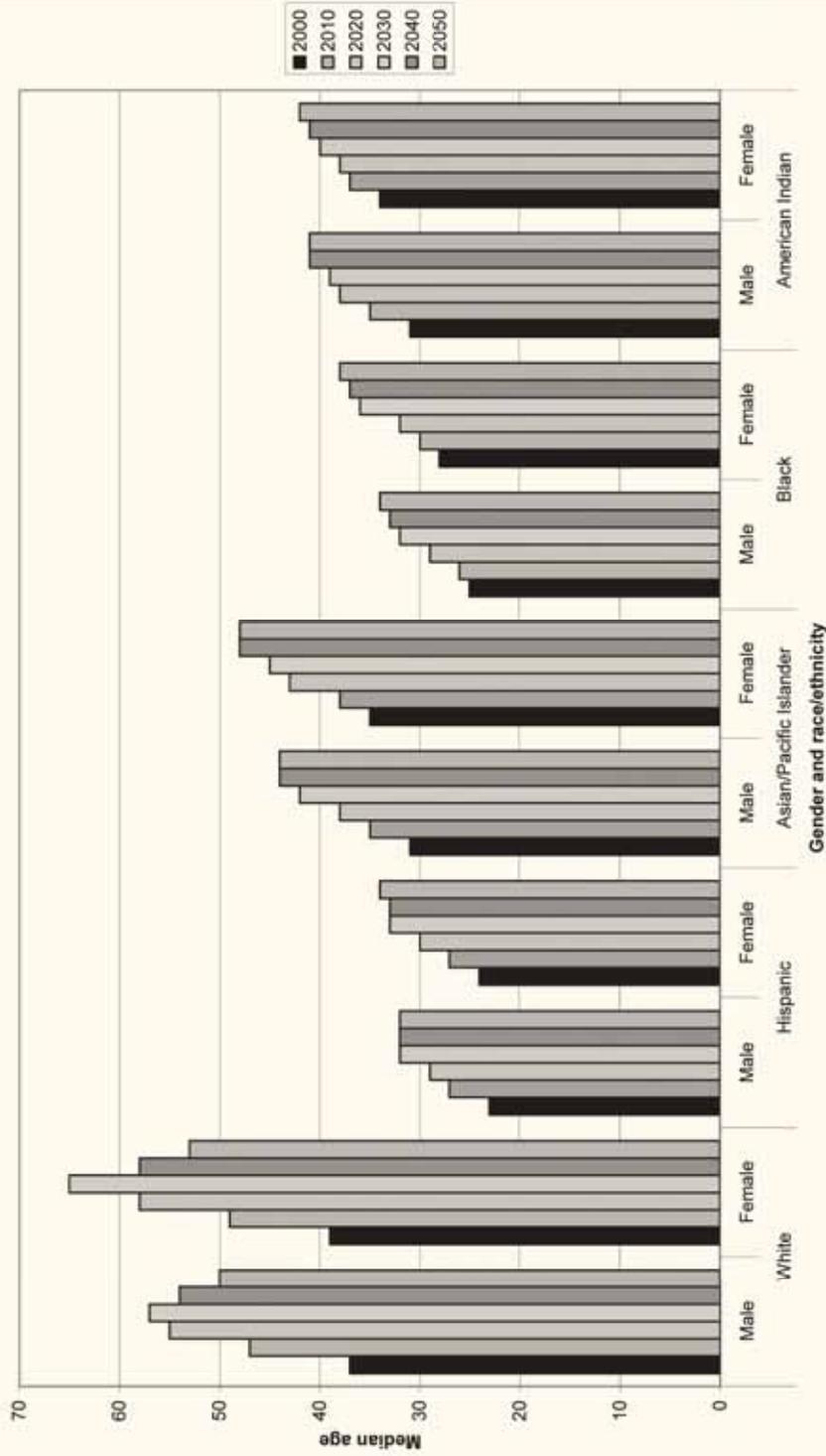
Age	Asian & Pacific Islander		Black		American Indian	
	Total	Male	Total	Male	Total	Male
All	167,648	80,057	235,285	114,531	16,002	7,777
0-4	9,428	4,783	17,743	9,046	886	441
5-9	7,813	3,960	16,507	8,525	760	348
10-14	8,385	4,371	20,985	10,840	1,197	559
15-19	11,841	6,224	25,066	13,351	1,481	725
20-24	13,766	7,333	24,168	12,619	1,334	679
25-29	13,322	6,838	17,809	9,336	1,047	538
30-34	12,727	6,039	14,231	6,629	961	520
35-39	14,036	6,297	14,235	5,914	973	476
40-44	13,747	6,297	15,806	6,948	1,153	548
45-49	13,414	6,236	16,824	7,844	1,331	635
50-54	12,585	5,962	14,752	6,983	1,279	587
55-59	10,783	5,014	11,404	5,341	1,187	555
60-64	8,214	3,760	8,616	4,045	955	441
65-69	5,863	2,579	5,949	2,754	595	294
70-74	4,717	1,936	4,596	2,043	369	200
75-79	3,485	1,224	2,933	1,239	240	123
80-84	2,166	721	1,674	632	153	68
85+	1,356	483	1,387	442	101	40
MEDIAN	37	35	28	26	36	35

Source: State of California, Department of Finance, *Race/Ethnic Population with Age and Sex Detail, 2000-2050*

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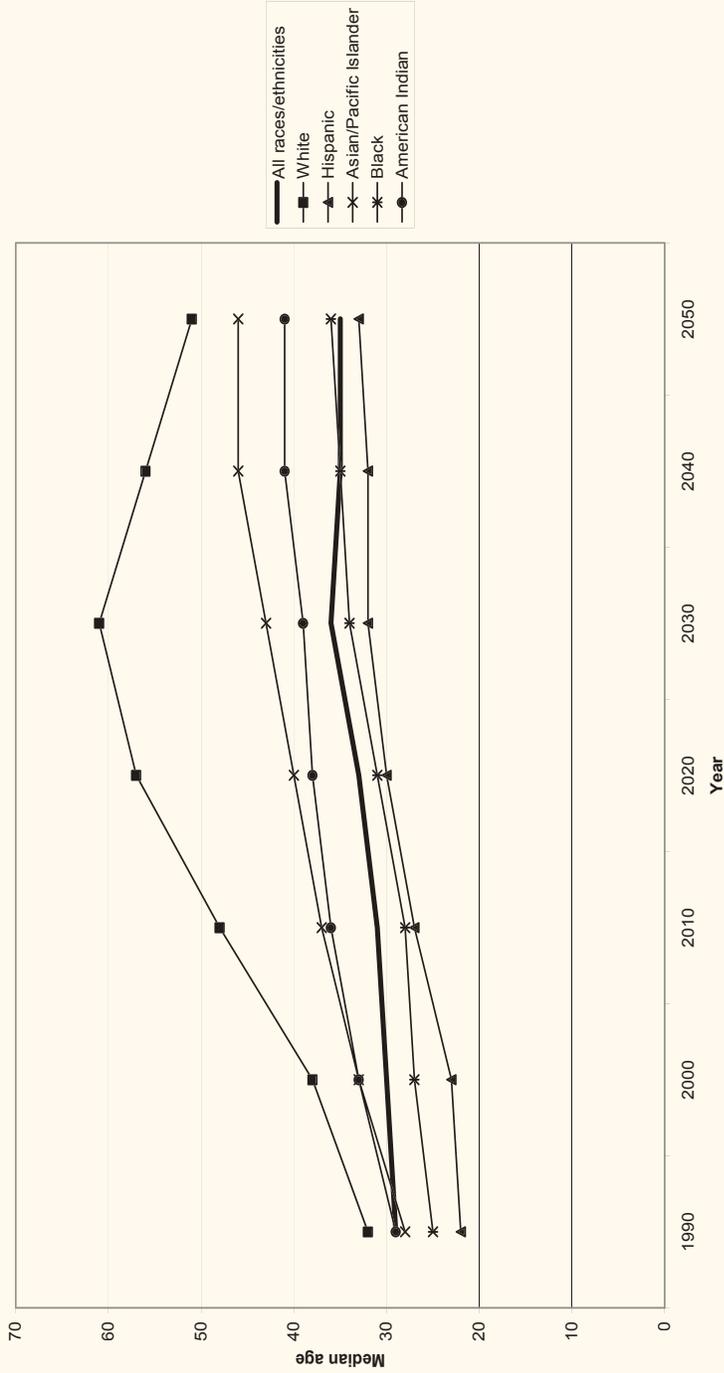
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### Median Age by Gender and Race/Ethnicity San Bernardino County Residents, 2000-2050



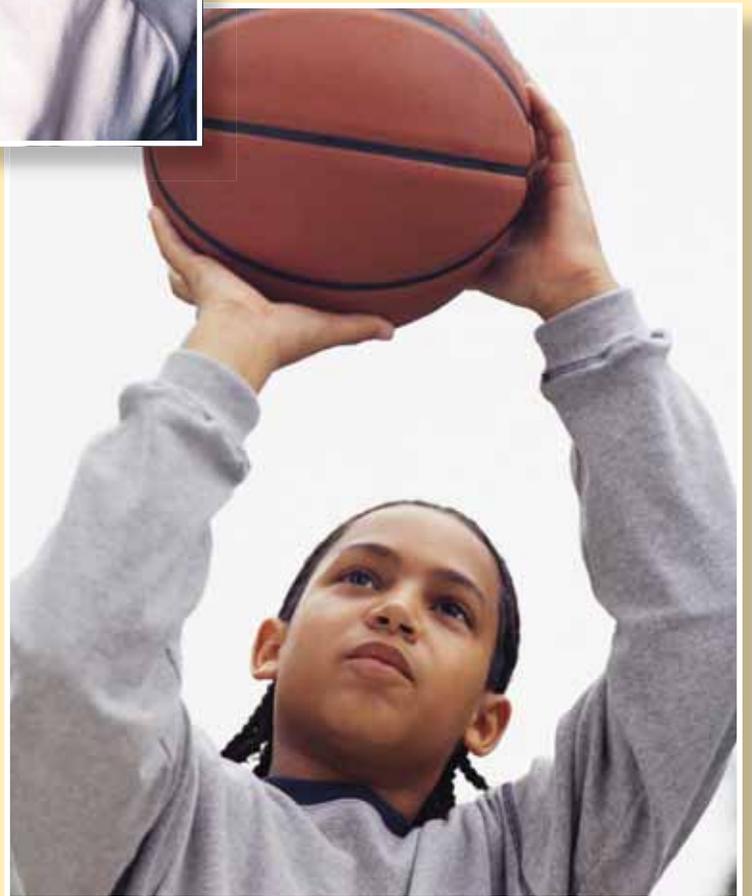
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**Median Age by Race/Ethnicity  
San Bernardino County Residents, 1990-2050**



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# *Child Abuse & Neglect Data 2006*



*Appendix 2*

# Department of Children's Services Year to Date

## *Referral Information*

	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005
Referrals Received	25,887	26,519	27,673	30,392	31,233
Unique Children Involved	36,736	36,791	37,986	39,684	40,173
Total Children Involved ** this is a duplicate count of children which includes children who had multiple referrals during the reporting period.	51,829	51,713	53,599	57,441	58,390
Average Referrals Received Per Month	2157	2210	2306	2533	<b>2603</b>

## *Abuse Type Reported*

Sexual Abuse	9%	10%	9%	9%	9%
Physical Abuse	8%	20%	17%	8%	18%
Severe Neglect	4%	4%	3%	2%	3%
General Neglect	43%	43%	2%	4%	4%
Caretaker Absence/Incapacity	8%	6%	5%	6%	6%
Exploitation	<1%	<1%	<1%	<1%	<1%
At Risk/Substantial Risk	11%	11%	15%	15%	13%
<b>Not Available(referral still open)</b>	<b>4%</b>	<b>5%</b>			

The above figures show a steady annual increase in the number of referrals received by DCS. There was a 3% increase in the number of referrals received in 2005 over 2004. There has been a 25% increase in the number of referrals received since 2000.

**Demographics** – Children involved in referrals are almost evenly split by sex – 51% female and 49% male. This ratio has remained constant over the years. The percentage of children age 8 and younger in 2002 was 52%. The age breakout for children involved in referrals has shown only slight change from 2004 to 2005. The only difference between 2004 and 2005 was for children aged 12-18, increasing from 31% to 32%. For 2005 51% of children referred were age 8 or younger, 17% were age 9 – 11, and 32% were age 12 – 18.

## *Ethnic Breakdown*

	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005
White	36%	35%	32%	31%	30%
Black	17%	16%	16%	16%	16%
Hispanic	34%	34%	33%	34%	36%
Asian/Pacific Islander	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%
Native American	<1%	<1%	<1%	<1%	<1%
Not Available (referral still open)	13%	15%	17%	17%	16%

## Petition Information

Original Petitions  
2005

Filing Rate  
In-Person Response  
Referrals

Filing Rate/All  
Referrals

1904

5% unchanged

4% unchanged

WIC SECTION	# ORIGINAL PETITIONS FILED	% OF TOTAL
A – Physical Abuse	217	12%
B – General Neglect	1219	69%
C – Emotional Abuse	0	0
D – Sexual Abuse	168	10%
E – Severe Abuse Age 5 or under 5	52	3%
F – Death of Sibling	2	<1%
G – Absent Parent	53	3%
H – Freed for Adoption 1 yr	0	0
I – Cruelty	17	1%
J – Sibling Abused or Neglected	37	2%

## Placement Information

	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005
Court Specified	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%
Foster Family Home	13%	13%	10%	9%	8%
FFA Certified Home	22%	24%	29%	28%	30%
Group Home	7%	7%	9%	9%	8%
Guardian Home	14%	14%	15%	17%	17%
Non-Foster Care	1%	1%	1%	11%	1%
<i>** these are acute care hospital placements</i>					
Relative	42%	39%	33%	35%	34%
Small Family Home	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%

The decline in the number of children placed in county-licensed foster family homes has continued – down 6% since 2000. The increase in the number of children placed in Foster Family Agency Certified Homes has continued and has shown a significant increase of 11% since 2000. In addition there has been a 11% decline in relative placements since 2000.

Group Home placements have declined to 8% for the year – 1% less than in 2004. There has been a 2% increase in the number of group home placements since 2000.

## ***Out of County Placements***

Court Specified	17	2%
FFA Certified Home	321	34%
Foster Home	19	2%
Group Home	196	21%
Relative Home	354	38%
Small Family Home	13	1%
 Total	 938	

## ***Out of State Placements***

Court Specified	19	15%
FA Cert Home	0	0%
Foster Home	1	1%
Group Home	5	4%
Guardian Home	2	2%
Relative Home	97	78%
 Total	 124	

*22% of the children currently in placement are placed either out of the county or out of state. The majority of those placed out of county are placed in another Southern California county.*

## ***Ethnicity of Children in Open Placements***

ETHNICITY	PERCENTAGE IN PLACEMENT	PERCENTAGE OF SB POPULATION
<i>Asian/Pacific Islander</i>	<i>&lt;1%</i>	<i>4%</i>
<i>Black</i>	<i>25%</i>	<i>10%</i>
<i>Hispanic</i>	<i>37%</i>	<i>49%</i>
<i>Native American</i>	<i>1%</i>	<i>&lt;1%</i>
<i>White</i>	<i>37%</i>	<i>33%</i>
<i>Not Available</i>	<i>&lt;1%</i>	<i>3% Other</i>

## ***Age of Children In Placement***

Age	Number	Age	Number
<i>&lt;1</i>	<i>236</i>	<i>11</i>	<i>274</i>
<i>1</i>	<i>270</i>	<i>12</i>	<i>331</i>
<i>2</i>	<i>223</i>	<i>13</i>	<i>311</i>
<i>3</i>	<i>224</i>	<i>14</i>	<i>332</i>
<i>4</i>	<i>221</i>	<i>15</i>	<i>362</i>
<i>5</i>	<i>203</i>	<i>16</i>	<i>338</i>
<i>6</i>	<i>213</i>	<i>17</i>	<i>310</i>
<i>7</i>	<i>262</i>	<i>18</i>	<i>106</i>
<i>8</i>	<i>212</i>	<i>19</i>	<i>7</i>
<i>9</i>	<i>261</i>	<i>20</i>	<i>2</i>
<i>10</i>	<i>241</i>	<i>Total</i>	<i>4939</i>

## ***Children in Placement by Percentage of Age Group***

<i>0-2</i>	<i>15%</i>
<i>3-5</i>	<i>13%</i>
<i>6-9</i>	<i>19%</i>
<i>10-12</i>	<i>17%</i>
<i>13-15</i>	<i>20%</i>
<i>16-18</i>	<i>15%</i>
<i>Over 18</i>	<i>&lt;1%</i>

1848 children came into placement in 2005. Of these, 439 or 24% have already been reunified with a parent within 2005. The average length of stay in out-of-home care was 64 days. In addition 740 children who were removed from their homes prior to 2005 were also reunified with a parent in 2005. Their average length of out-of home placement was 1.70 years (620 days).

## ***Guardianships***

Non-Relative	Kin-Gap	
861	664**	active cases in January 2006

## ***Program Information***

As of 1/09/2006 the department was providing on-going services to 6520 cases. The program breakdown is 2285 in Emergency Response, 918 in Family Maintenance, 1993 in Family Reunification and 3381 in Permanent Placement. The average number of open cases per month has shown a decline over 2002 ranging from a high of 7247 in March 2003 to a low of 6512 in December 2004. The average number of open cases per month for 2005 is 6859.

## ***Licensed Foster Homes***

<b><i>Foster Home Type</i></b>	<b><i>Count</i></b>
Emergency Shelter Backup Home	4
Fost-Adopt	270
Fost-Adopt Pending	1
Foster Home Pending	2
Medically Fragile	3
Open	248
Other	2
Special	19
Youth Services	5
	Total 554

## *Location of Foster Homes*

Geographic Region	Count	Percentage
Barstow including Ft Irwin.....	5	3%
Mountain Communities..... (Crestline, Big Bear and Lake Arrowhead)	21	4%
Needles.....	1	<1%
Rancho Cucamonga.....	4	1%
Redlands..... (including Colton, Grand Terrace, Loma Linda, Yucaipa, and Mentone)	45	8%
Rancho East..... (including Rialto, Bloomington and Fontana)	120	21%
Rancho North..... (including Etiwanda, Rancho Cucamonga, Upland and Alta Loma)	63	11%
Rancho South..... (including Montclair, Ontario, and Chino)	64	12%
San Bernardino..... (including Highland)	70	13%
Trona.....	0	0%
Victorville..... (including Hesperia, Lucerne Valley and Apple Valley)	121	22%
Wrightwood..... (including Phelan, Pinon Hills, and Summit Valley)	14	3%
Yucca Valley..... (including 29 Palms and Joshua Tree)	16	3%
Unavailable.....	0	0%

## *Adoptions\*\**

### Finalizations

1999 342  
 2000 416  
 2001 380  
 2002 265  
 2003 602  
 2004 484  
 2005 449

### Adoptive Placements

1999 354  
 2000 434  
 2001 408  
 2002 343  
 2003 280  
 2004 492  
 2005 464

\*\*This is based on adoptions information on CWS/CMS which may not match adoptions information from the Q&A system used by Special Services.

# ***SART***

## **The SART Model of Care for High-Risk Children In San Bernardino County (Screening, Assessment, Referral & Treatment)**

### ***SUMMARY***

Children's SART: Where are we Now...

- In October 2005 the Desert Mountain SELPA Children's SART Center opened and began serving foster children ages 0-5. Approximately 90 children have been fully assessed and over 150 children have received mental health treatment through the Center.
- In October, 2006, San Bernardino County Department of Behavioral Health (DBH) awarded an EPSDT mental health contract to Desert Mountain SELPA who will expand and continue providing much needed, quality mental health services to our most vulnerable children in the High Desert region.
- In October, 2006, DBH awarded a new EPSDT mental health contract to California State University San Bernardino (CSUSB) to begin providing SART services in our Central Valley region. In partnership with Loma Linda University and Redlands University this center will begin providing assessment and mental health treatment services in November 2006.
- It is anticipated that the West End SART Assessment Center will become a reality in the summer of 2007 through the EPSDT procurement process.
- First 5 San Bernardino continues to be a valuable and committed partner by supporting several over arching strategies: Community Capacity Building; Research and Evaluation; Home visiting programs; and core infrastructures to maintain the Children's SART system of care.
- The Children's Fund has provided funding to our Public Health Department to employ 9 public health nurses for the new PANDA program. Nurses will work with mothers of substance exposed infants for up to one year providing in-home support, education, and referral services.
- The Department of Children's Services continues to support Children's SART with in-kind support of a Supervising Social Service Practitioner to serve as the Children's SART Coordinator.
- The Children's Fund is exploring the possibility of donating a building to DBH which would be used as the Central Valley Children's SART Assessment Center. If plans move forward, this will serve as an excellent example of public/private agency collaboration.

# *Perinatal SART*

*All children need nurturance, support, security, and predictability to become socially competent and ready to learn*

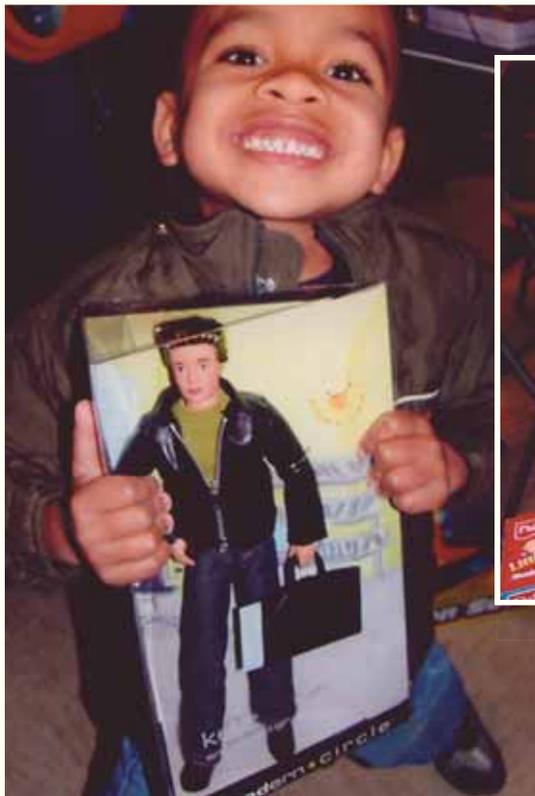
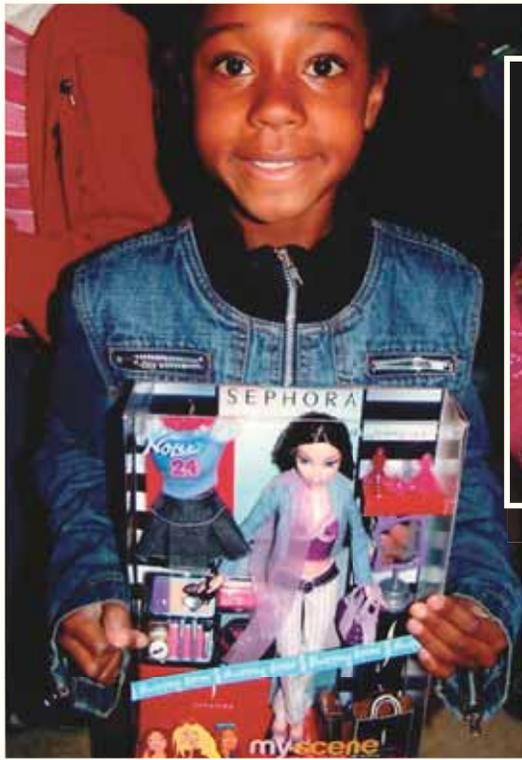
## **GOALS:**

- Have programs in place to screen every pregnant woman in San Bernardino County.
- Identify women using tobacco, alcohol and/or illicit drugs during pregnancy as soon as possible to decrease adverse effects on the unborn child
- Place women addicted into treatment during pregnancy.

From August 2004 though September 2006 there have been 22,178 perinatal SART screens performed. This represents approximately 14,159 individual pregnant women who have been screened (all initial screens). Of the 14,159 individual women, 4,143 self-reported the use of tobacco, alcohol, and/or drugs at any time during their pregnancy (29.3%; this is use in the month before they knew they were pregnant and/or “last month”)



# *Children's Fund Presents All Around!*



*Appendix 3*

# *Celebrating Twenty Years of Success* *1986 - 2006*

## **Children's Fund Annual Report**

**July 1, 2005 - June 30, 2006**

Since Children's Fund's inception in 1986, this unique Public- Private Partnership has afforded us the opportunity to serve San Bernardino County's most vulnerable populous of all . . . its "at-risk" children. **Over the past two decades, Children's Fund is responsible for making a difference in the lives of more than One Million Children.**

The true richness of Children's Fund's legacy lies not in the programs we have been instrumental in creating and funding, nor in the buildings we have erected to shelter and defend, but most valuable of all is the public-private community of committed and caring givers that Children's Fund has cultivated. As we look to the future of Children's Fund, our greatest gift to the children we serve are individuals like each of you who are committed to the furtherance of our mission statement to make a difference in the life of an "at-risk" child.

### **PURPOSE**

The purpose of Children's Fund is to ensure that children who are at risk in our community because of abuse, abandonment or circumstance receive adequate food, shelter, clothing, health care, education and are provided equal opportunity for social development. Children's Fund is a private, not-for-profit 501(c)(3) organization that calls to action private business, the public sector, and concerned citizens to form a public/private partnership.

### **HISTORY**

Children's Fund was established in 1986 by the Board of Supervisors as the non-profit component of San Bernardino County's model agency, Children's Network. It was designed to be a true public/private partnership. The county provides modest funding for administrative overhead, so every dollar raised by the Fund goes directly to meet the needs of newborn to eighteen-year-olds that are at-risk in San Bernardino County. Goods and services that are not available through other agencies are provided through Children's Fund.

### **BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

In 2005/2006 Bill Nietschmann, Senior Vice President & Manager of City National Bank serves as Children's Fund's Chairman of the Board, for the 30-member Board of Directors. Russ Moore, Senior Vice President, Regional Manager of Community Bank serves as Vice Chairman. Founding Chairman Emeritus is Jack Brown, CEO, President and Chairman of the Board of Stater Bros. Markets. The all-volunteer board is composed of successful businessmen and women who share a concern and desire to do something positive about the plight of underprivileged and abused children. By design, the Board has a broad base of representation that takes into consideration not only geographic, but cultural backgrounds and special interests as well.

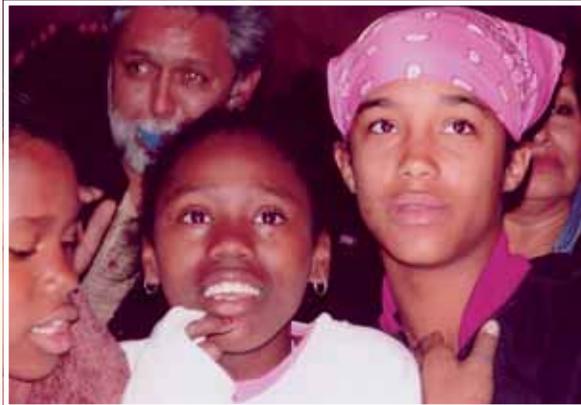
## MEETING FORMAT

The Children's Fund Board of Directors meets monthly at a previously designated time and place. The Executive Committee of the Board of Directors, which is comprised of the Officers of the Board, also meets monthly at a previously designated time and place. The Chairman of the Board chairs both meetings, and minutes of the meetings are maintained in the Children's Fund office, which is located in the County Government Center. Committees of the Board consist of: Executive Committee, Marketing and Development, Program, President's Circle, and the A. Gary Anderson Golf Tournament.

## AUXILIARIES

Children's Fund enjoys the support of two auxiliaries, Bonnes Meres Auxiliary in Redlands and Claremont/West End Auxiliary. Both are seasoned fund raising groups, and together their efforts contributed \$174,905 to Children's Fund in 2005/2006. Additionally, the auxiliaries support the mission on the agency by heightening public awareness regarding at-risk children.

## *Smiling Faces of Children's Fund Programs*



## SERVICE DELIVERY

Social Workers/Case Managers from any of the many member agencies of Children's Network agencies such as Department of Children's Services, Public Health, County Schools, and community-based service organization members are eligible to submit a request for resources needed by a child on his/her caseload. In 2005/2006 in excess of 4,500 requests were filled, and more than 63,000 children were served through both the Daily Referral Program and the Celebration of Giving Campaign.

Children's Fund serves children under three major categories: *Daily Referral Activity*, *Community Outreach and Proprietary Projects*.

**Daily Referral Activity:** We consider this to be our first priority. Requests that are made daily by case manager/social workers fall under this heading, and include such necessities as diapers, emergency food, clothing, medical care, cribs, beds, car seats, health care, and social development. The greatest numbers of these referrals are for items costing under \$200.00, but are not available elsewhere and are essential to a child's well being.

**COMMUNITY OUTREACH:**

**Annual Celebration of Giving:** Holiday project, as well as pediculosis control funding support, the April Child Abuse Prevention Month, and much more.

**Department of Public Health’s PANDA Program:** (Post-Partum Assessment of Newborn Drug and Alcohol Exposed). Children’s Fund contributed \$250,000 towards the PANDA Program. This investment allowed the program to expand early intervention services by providing 9 Public Health Nurses to provide health assessments and screenings for newborns who have been identified as being exposed to drugs and alcohol prior to birth.

**AVID (Advancement Via Individual Determination) After School Program:** The Fund has also assisted with the furnishing of computers and networking hardware for the for children in the High Desert Region of San Bernardino County. This program assists children with preparing to advance towards a college education through various tutoring and educational guidance.

**Proprietary Projects:**

This particular category includes three major projects that are viewed as priorities by Children’s Fund Board of Directors.

**Education First:** School for children of homeless families has completed its tenth successful year of holistically attending to the needs of homeless children and their families. Other agencies intricately involved in Education First are the San Bernardino City Unified School District, County Superintendent of Schools, Community Services Department, Department of Public Health, Department of Public Social Services, the Homeless Coalition, and the Children’s Network. In 2000, Children’s Fund provided dollars to hire a Public Health Nurse to join the Case Management team to address the health concerns of the children and families.

**The Children’s Assessment Center:** This center receives special attention from the Children’s Fund. The role our agency plays here is to provide for those things not available through the other participating agencies. Other significant agencies contributing to the Children’s Assessment Center include the Human Services, Department of Public Health, Arrowhead Regional Medical Center, County Counsel, Loma Linda University Children’s Hospital, District attorney, Sheriff’s Department, Children’s Network, Juvenile Court and Family Court Services. The Center provides medical examinations and forensic interviews for children who are suspected of having been sexually and/or physically abused. In 1998/99, Children’s Fund Board of Directors embarked on a capital campaign to purchase land and a building to permanently house the Center. The Center officially opened in November 1999.

**SART:** Children’s Fund has been a leader as well as a collaborative partner in the development and implementation of the SART (Screening, Assessment, Referral and Treatment) Program in San Bernardino County. This program which is in its initial phase is designed to screen children whose mothers have self-identified themselves to health practitioners as exposing their children to drugs, alcohol and tobacco during pregnancy. This program screens, assesses, and treats infants and children with possible mental and physical development problems. The program hopes to address development problems in children prior to them starting school, thus eliminating the future need for special education, group homes and incarceration of these children who were drug exposed.

**Total Cash/In-Kind Expended in 2005/2006: \$1,712,384.00**

## FUND RAISING ACTIVITY

Children's Fund is proud that for ten years a row it has exceeded the \$1,000,000 mark, and since inception in 1994, has now raised sixteen million for the children at-risk in the community. In 2005/2006 the gross revenue was 2.6 million dollars which includes all donations, both monetary and in-kind, and gross dollars raised on events, including Pepsico and Racefest for \$138,560.

**Grants:** In the area of grant funding Children's Fund received grants from The Los Angeles Times Mirror Foundation, Bank of America, Kaiser Permanente, Comerica Bank, Community Block Development Grant and Northrup Grumman, Temple Inland Foundation, and First 5 San Bernardino. Children's Fund was also the recipient of grants for emergency medical needs for children throughout San Bernardino County, emergency needs in general such as food and clothing in the City of San Bernardino, and support of the Education First program.

**Cash and In-Kind:** Cash is broken down by major sources of revenue. The primary revenue sources include:

<i>President's Circle:</i>	\$79,410
<i>Auxiliaries:</i>	\$174,905
<i>Golf Classic:</i>	\$391,285
<i>Celebration of Giving:</i>	\$604,459
<i>Other:</i>	\$158,560

**Gross Fundraising Revenue for 2005/2006: \$1,408,619**

**Total Revenue Generated for 2005/2006: \$2,591,756**

San bernardino County's in-kind *support* continues to sustain our administrative overhead. This contribution empowers Children's Fund to designate **100%** of our fundraising contributions to serve at-risk children throughout San bernardino County. The *General Donations* include the support of many individuals, Corporations, and our County Employee Contributions.

## MISSION STATEMENT

Our mission is to prevent child abuse in our community; to ensure that at-risk children who are abused, neglected, impoverished, or abandoned receive adequate food, shelter, clothing, medical care and education; and to provide equal opportunity for social development for these children.



# *School Data 2006*



## *Appendix 4*

# **2005-2006 School Year Annual SARB Survey**

**San Bernardino County Superintendent of School**

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# San Bernardino County Superintendent of Schools

## 2004-2005 Annual SARB Report

### ***Districts Reporting a Local SARB Board:***

- Adelanto School District
- Alta Loma School District
- Apple Valley School District
- Barstow School District
- Bear Valley School District
- Central School District
- Chaffey School District
- Chino Valley School District
- Colton Joint School District
- Cucamonga School District
- Etiwanda School District
- Fontana School District
- Hesperia School District
- Morongo School District
- Mountain View School District
- Needles School District
- Ontario Montclair School District
- Redlands School District
- Rialto School District
- Rim of the World School District
- San Bernardino City School District
- Silver Valley School District
- Snowline School District
- Trona School District
- Upland School District
- Victor Elementary School District
- Victor Valley Union High School District
- Yucaipa Calimesa School District

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 School Attendance and Review Board  
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Number of Cases Referred to Local District SARB

GRADE LEVEL	MALE	FEMALE	BEHAVIOR	IRREG. ATTENDANCE	HABITUAL TRUANT	COURT REFERRALS	TOTALS
K	111	118	4	123	162	174	463
1	172	154	11	183	203	233	630
2	134	123	14	125	160	177	476
3	116	122	30	121	149	182	482
4	143	112	17	127	176	168	488
5	129	114	12	114	158	165	449
6	209	123	54	170	224	241	689
7	212	184	39	253	266	227	785
8	247	189	39	277	287	302	905
9	959	861	25	1310	1116	747	3198
10	457	403	3	544	463	396	1406
11	296	290	7	354	300	276	937
12	96	114	2	141	130	147	420
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>3281</b>	<b>2907</b>	<b>257</b>	<b>3842</b>	<b>3794</b>	<b>3435</b>	<b>11328</b>

*\*Please note: Student may be referred for more than one reason.*

# Welfare DATA - 2006



## Appendix 5

# *County Residents Receiving Aid Distribution By Cities*

*Prepared June 2006  
(Based on data as of January 1, 2006)*

Attached is information concerning distribution of CalWORKs (cash benefits), Food Stamps, and Medi-Cal in the cities and communities in San Bernardino County. The Benefit populations refer to persons not families. Receipt of CalWORKs has continued to decline which may be a result of the rapid increase in employment opportunities that is currently occurring in our county. With this decline in CalWORKs, the number of low-wage working households that receive both Medi-Cal and Food Stamps, often a critical support to these families, has increased.

**Exhibit 1** ranks the cities with cash benefits as a percentage of the general population. The ranking ranges from a high of 11.9% for the City of Barstow to a low of 0.3% for Chino Hills.

**Exhibit 1A** displays this information graphically.

**Exhibit II** displays the financial value of assistance, which includes CalWORKs, Food Stamps, and Medi-Cal, by assistance category and by total for each city. For example, the annual financial value of assistance in the City of San Bernardino is approximately \$335 million dollars. The value of assistance is based on statistics from CalWORKs and Food Stamp benefit disbursement and the California Department of Health Services

# *Cities' Cash Benefit Population Ranked By Percentage of Population*

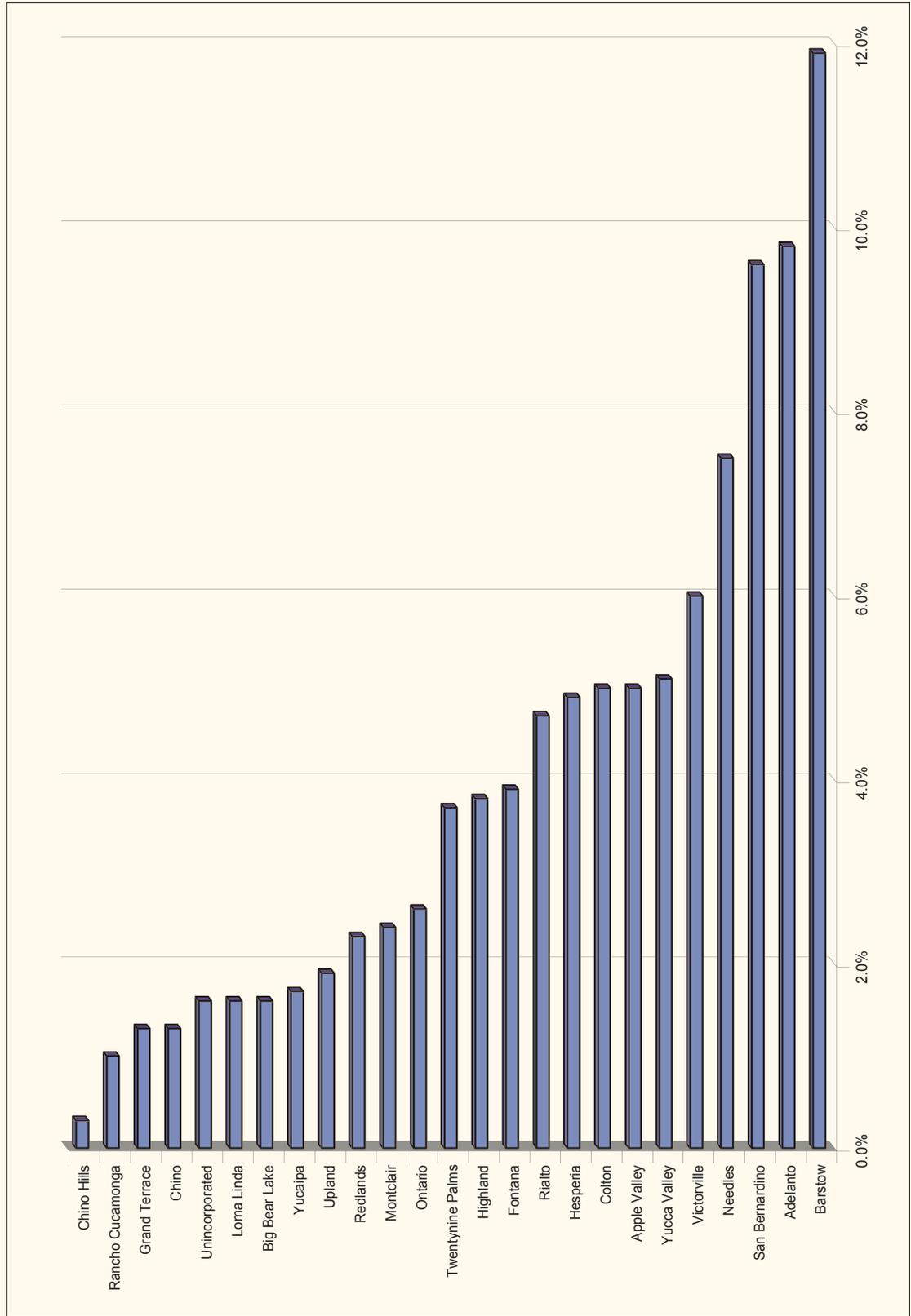
At January 1, 2005

## Exhibit I

<i>CITY</i>	<i>% OF PEOPLE ON CASH AID</i>
<i>Barstow</i>	<i>11.9%</i>
<i>Adelanto</i>	<i>9.8%</i>
<i>San Bernardino</i>	<i>9.6%</i>
<i>Needles</i>	<i>7.5%</i>
<i>Victorville</i>	<i>6.0%</i>
<i>Yucca Valley</i>	<i>5.1%</i>
<i>Apple Valley</i>	<i>5.0%</i>
<i>Colton</i>	<i>5.0%</i>
<i>Hesperia</i>	<i>4.9%</i>
<i>Rialto</i>	<i>4.7%</i>
<i>Fontana</i>	<i>3.9%</i>
<i>Highland</i>	<i>3.8%</i>
<i>Twentynine Palms</i>	<i>3.7%</i>
<i>Ontario</i>	<i>2.6%</i>
<i>Montclair</i>	<i>2.4%</i>
<i>Redlands</i>	<i>2.3%</i>
<i>Upland</i>	<i>1.9%</i>
<i>Yucaipa</i>	<i>1.7%</i>
<i>Big Bear Lake</i>	<i>1.6%</i>
<i>Loma Linda</i>	<i>1.6%</i>
<i>Unincorporated</i>	<i>1.6%</i>
<i>Chino</i>	<i>1.3%</i>
<i>Grand Terrace</i>	<i>1.3%</i>
<i>Rancho Cucamonga</i>	<i>1.0%</i>
<i>Chino Hills</i>	<i>0.3%</i>

**Exhibit IA**

**CITIES' CASH BENEFIT POPULATION  
RANKED BY PERCENTAGE OF POPULATION  
At January 1, 2006**



**EXHIBIT II**

VALUE OF WELFARE BY CITY  
AT JANUARY 1, 2006

CITY	CASH BENEFIT	MEDI-CAL	FOOD STAMPS	TOTAL MONTHLY	ANNUAL
Adelanto	\$ 515,394	2,488,599	419,451	3,423,444	41,081,328
Apple Valley	740,212	3,764,256	587,579	5,092,047	61,104,564
Barstow	616,523	2,677,422	480,777	3,774,722	45,296,664
Big Bear Lake	22,276	317,304	27,745	367,325	4,407,900
Chino	225,952	1,620,811	176,187	2,022,950	24,275,400
Chino Hills	58,534	822,075	54,507	935,116	11,221,392
Colton	570,137	3,460,512	484,634	4,515,283	54,183,396
Fontana	1,424,797	10,893,087	1,170,503	13,488,387	161,860,644
Grand Terrace	38,731	228,825	30,890	298,446	3,581,352
Hesperia	845,693	2,531,091	682,095	4,058,879	48,706,548
Highland	432,756	2,313,675	349,058	3,095,489	37,145,868
Loma Linda	78,361	649,524	70,083	797,968	9,575,616
Montclair	184,110	1,960,437	162,131	2,306,678	27,680,136
Needles	90,402	384,765	61,877	537,044	6,444,528
Ontario	971,124	9,233,682	865,461	11,070,267	132,843,204
Rancho Cucamonga	360,962	2,929,977	291,162	3,582,101	42,985,212
Redlands	361,355	2,175,024	303,435	2,839,814	34,077,768
Rialto	1,032,885	6,140,307	877,007	8,050,199	96,602,388
San Bernardino	4,216,509	20,123,718	3,588,659	27,928,886	335,146,632
Twentynine Palms	216,398	985,134	174,010	1,375,542	16,506,504
Upland	304,943	2,345,541	252,896	2,903,380	34,840,560
Victorville	1,235,190	6,195,225	1,015,562	8,445,977	101,351,724
Yucaipa	192,886	1,533,297	164,333	1,890,516	22,686,192
Yucca Valley	231,728	1,277,352	173,249	1,682,329	20,187,948
Unincorporated	1,109,784	6,836,952	897,019	8,843,755	106,125,060
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 16,077,642</b>	<b>93,888,592</b>	<b>13,360,310</b>	<b>123,326,544</b>	<b>1,479,918,528</b>
Average Monthly Cost Per Recipient	\$ 218.14	339.00	97.43	400.63	4,807.56
			Average Annual Cost per Recipient		

# *Behavioral Health Department*



*Appendix 6*

## San Bernardino County Department of Behavioral Health 2005-2006 Annual Report

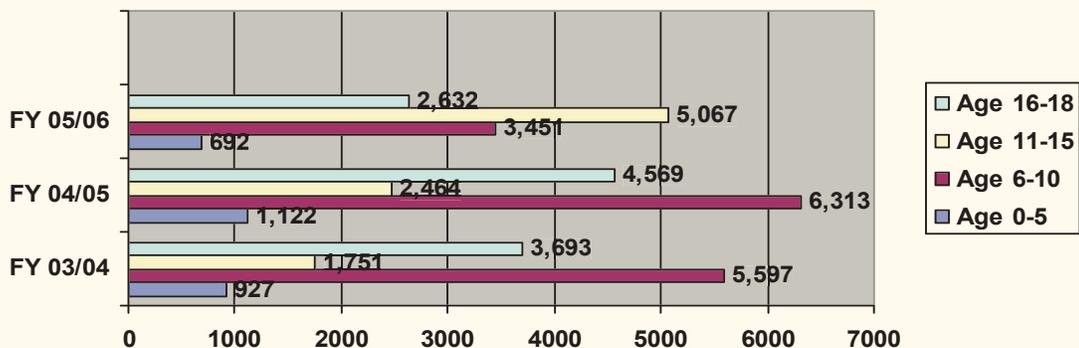
The county's Mental Health Plan (MHP) is comprised of the Department of Behavioral Health (DBH), its contract agencies, and fee-for-service network of providers. The spectrum of services includes assessments, family and individual counseling, case management, referrals, and crisis response. This FY 2005/2006 Annual Report summarizes information regarding DBH's clinic based programs within Children's Services.

### Characteristics of Minor Client Population

As you will see in the following table, the numbers of unduplicated minors served by the MHP has changed significantly.

**Age Categories of Unduplicated Minors Served  
Comparison of Fiscal Years  
(Actual figures showing percent change with a graph)**

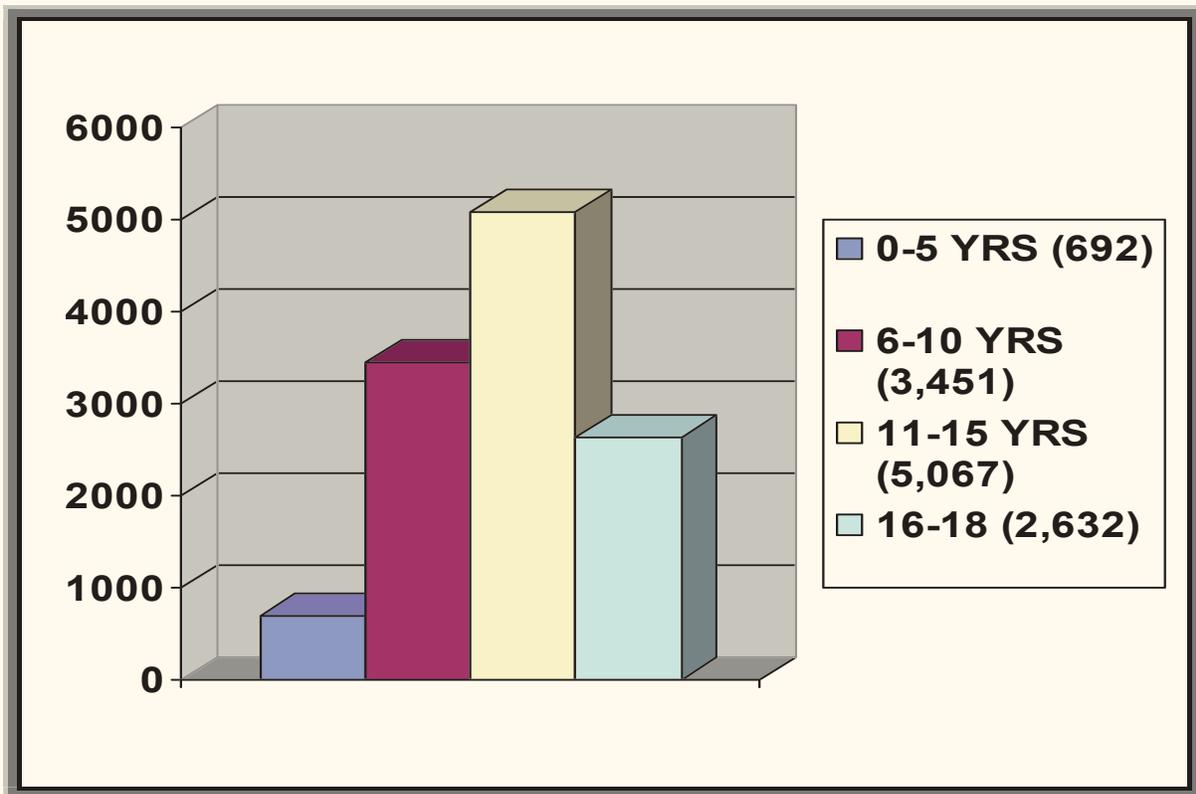
Age Group	FY 03/04	FY 04/05	FY 05/06	Change from Previous year
0-5	927	1,122	692	-38%
6-10	5,597	6,313	3,451	-45%
11-15	1,751	2,464	5,067	51%
16-18	3,639	4,569	2,632	-42%
Total Unique Minors Served	11,914	14,468	11,842	-18%



## NUMBER OF CHILDREN AND YOUTH SERVED BY THE MHP

The numbers of minors in each age category served by the MHP for FY 2005/2006 are shown in the table below.

### Age Categories of Unduplicated Minors Served by MHP

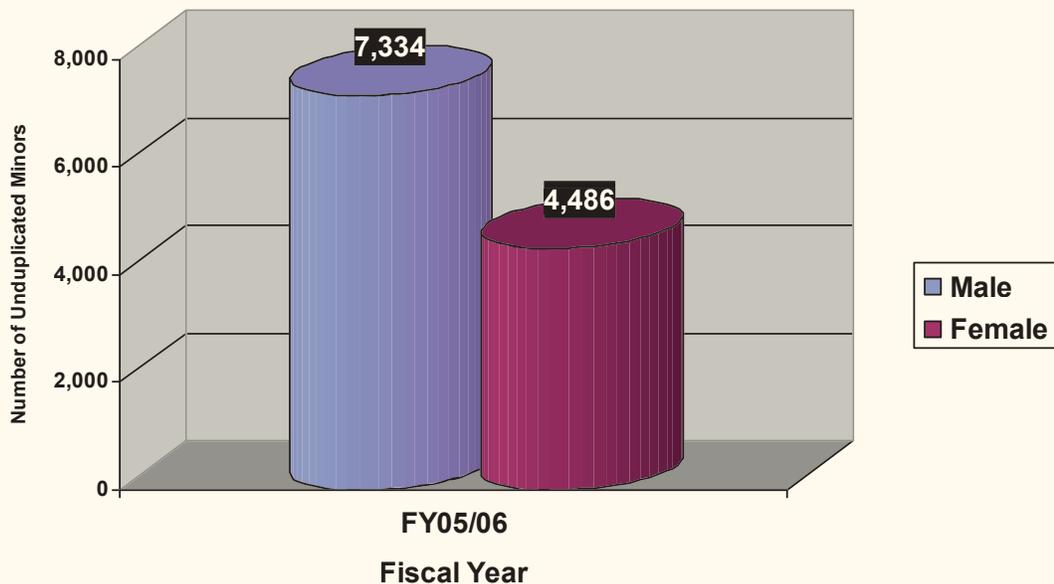


### GENDER OF MINORS SERVED BY MHP

As shown in the demographics section earlier in this Report, the gender ratio of our county's children and youth is approximately 51 percent male and 39% female. This ratio is the opposite of what it was in the 2004-2005 Annual Report which was 49% male and 51% female. The ratio among minors who receive services from the MHP is approximately 62% male and 38% female. This disparity is not much different from prior years and, as such, likely reflects the higher incidence of young males receiving mental health in the juvenile justice systems and identified by schools and parents as having behavior problems.

The number of reporting units decreased from 176 in FY 2004/2005 to 160 in FY 2005/2006, therefore, statistics relating to changes in the characteristics of minors served cannot be determined.

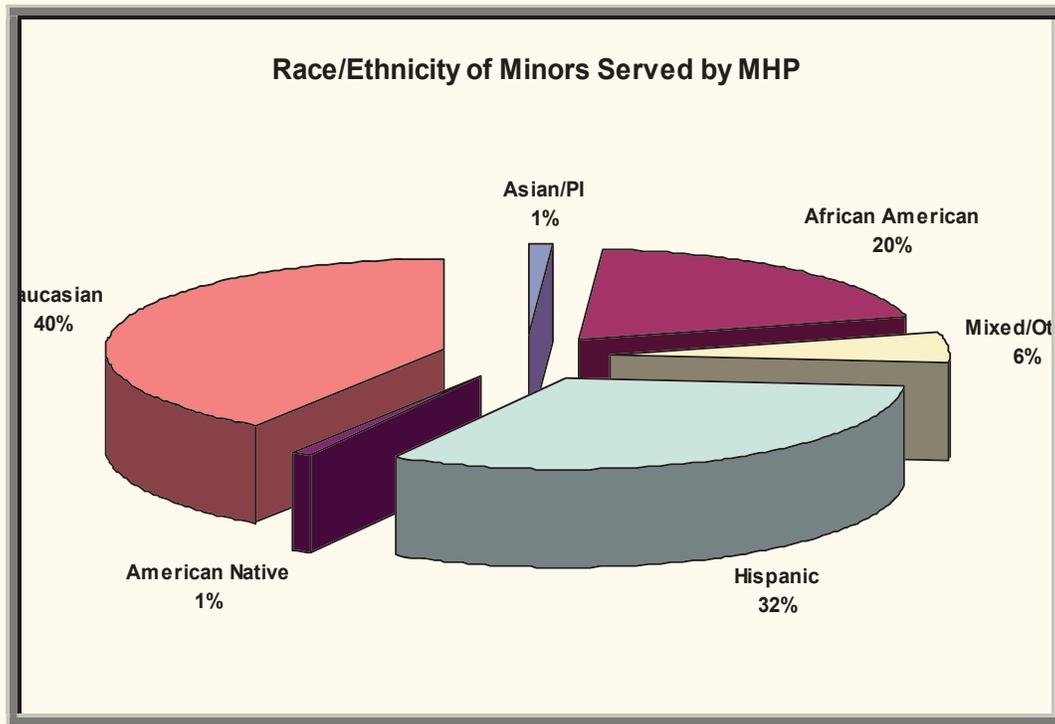
**Gender of Minors Served by MHP**



## RACE/ETHNICITY OF MINORS SERVED BY MHP

The race/ethnicity distribution of minors served demonstrates the well-known disparities between community demographics and the groups that access mental health services. For example, although over half of the county's population is now of Latino or Hispanic ethnicity, less than a third of the youth seen by the MHP are of this ethnicity.

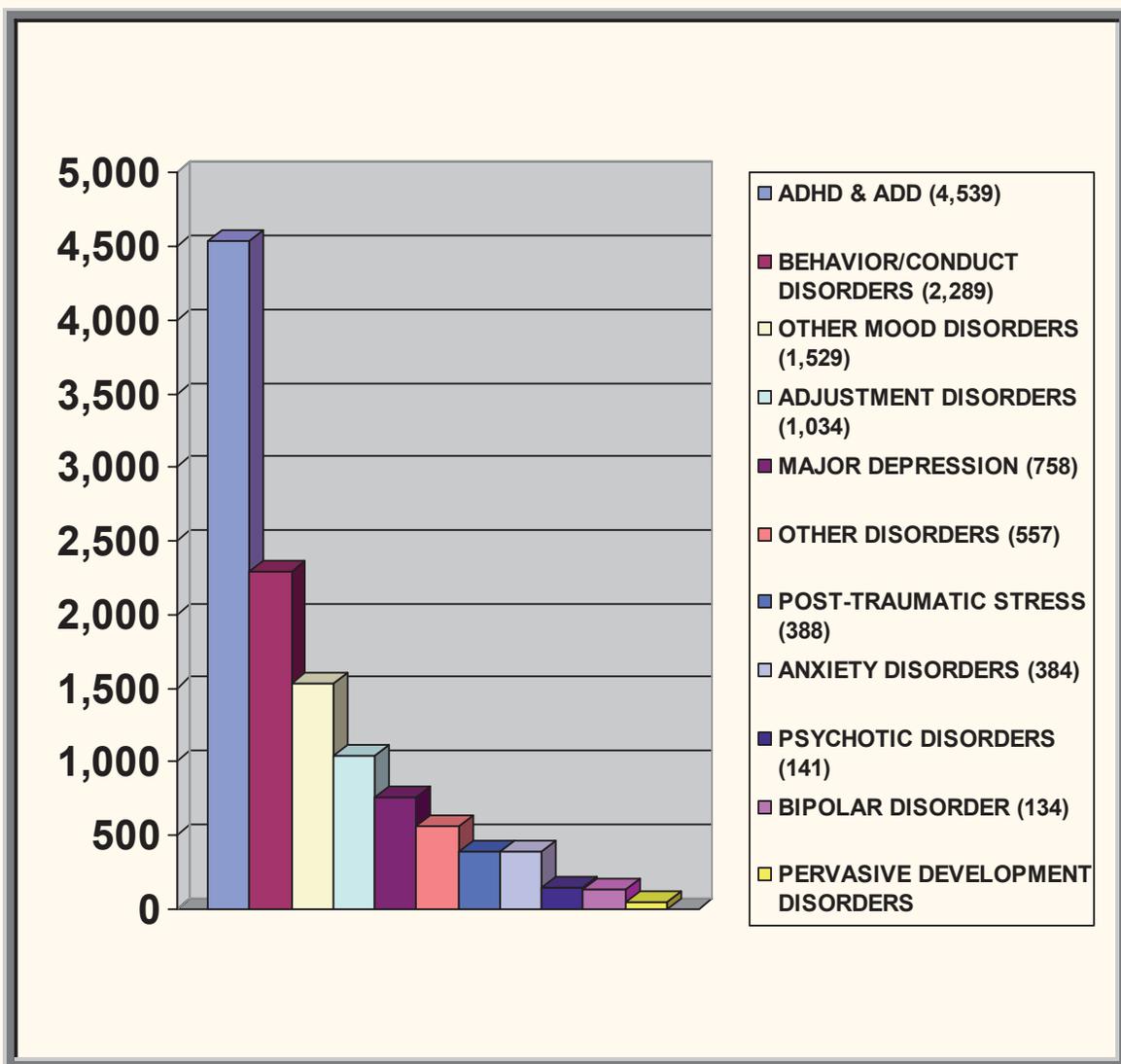
The table below shows the racial/ethnic distribution of those served by the MHP during Fiscal Year 05/06.



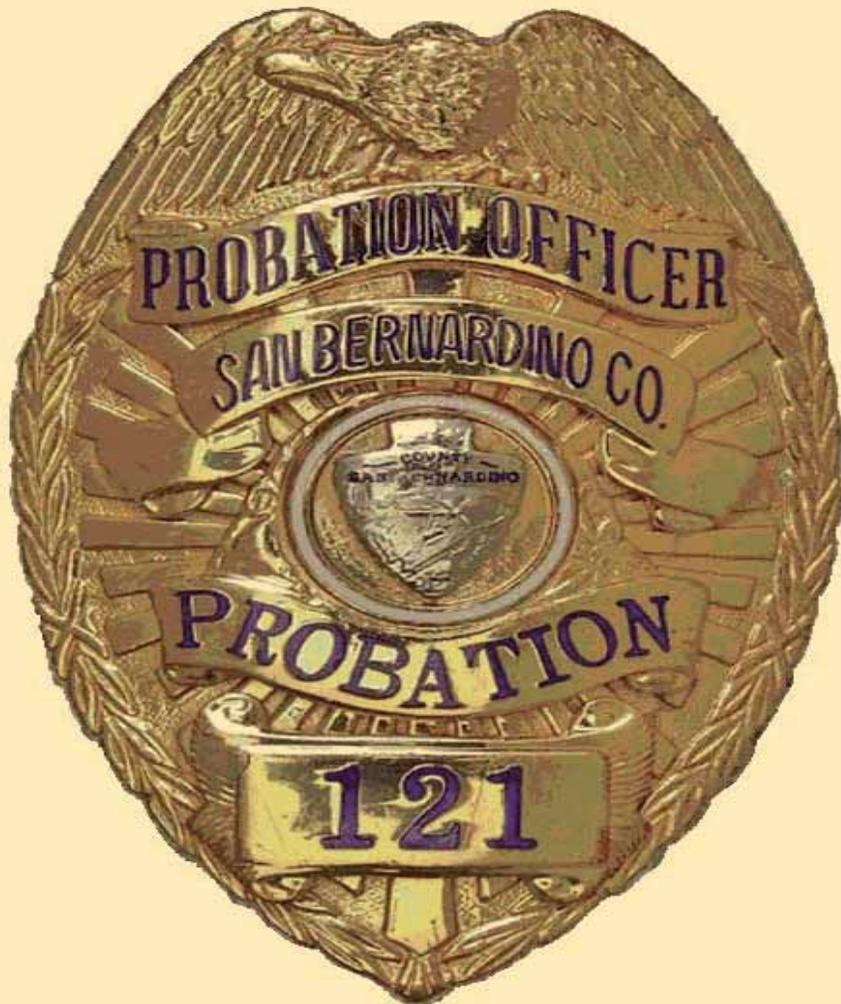
## MENTAL HEALTH DISORDERS AND DIAGNOSTICS AMONG MINORS

The non-substance diagnostic categories for the disorders of the minors are shown in the table below.

### Diagnostic Categories of Unduplicated Minors Served by MHP



# *Probation Department*



*Appendix 7*

## **San Bernardino County Probation Department Programs and Services to the Youth**

### ***Youth Accountability Board***

A collaborative effort of the Probation Department, local law enforcement and local citizen volunteers, the Youth Accountability Board (YAB) Program has been active since 1991. Today, there are 20 Boards in operation, comprised of over 275 volunteers county wide, which work to divert non-violent first time juvenile offenders from the Juvenile Justice System. During 2005, 660 minors were referred to the Youth Accountability Board Program, for diversion services, by the Probation Department and the Informal and Juvenile Traffic Court.

Prior to the Board "hearing" the referred case, a social investigator interviews the minor and his/her parents, to gather relevant information regarding the minor's background, school history and family dynamics, in order to determine how the Board can best assist in the minor's rehabilitation process. Following the hearing, the Board places the minor on a mutually agreed upon contract which may include completion of community service hours, classes such as Victim Awareness, Petty Theft and Anger Management, participation in tutoring sessions and/or attending "formal" counseling sessions depending upon the offense and the needs of the minor. Each minor is assigned a mentor to track the case and assist the minor to fulfill his/her obligations, thus creating a sense of responsibility for their behavior.

### ***School Probation Officers***

The School Probation Officer Unit is funded via the Juvenile Justice Crime Prevention Act of 2000 (formerly AB 1913) that provides State funding for programs and approaches that have been demonstrated to be effective in reducing delinquency and addressing juvenile crime, including prevention, intervention, suppression, and incapacitation.

Youth experiencing attendance or behavioral problems are identified by school officials and referred to the Probation Officer either assigned to the campus or the school district. The program objective is to reduce campus delinquent behavior, provide prevention and intervention services to students having attendance, suspension/expulsion issues, provide training to campus staff and work with students and their families to solve the problems causing the referral. Every School Probation Officer provides services in the areas of Prevention and Intervention; Liaison / Networking; and Casework. School PO's either teach or refer students to various enrichment components such as The Parent Project, Anger Management, Victim Awareness, Weapons Diversion, Gang Avoidance, Drug and Alcohol classes, Community Service, and Mentor Programs. The School PO's also serve the schools by participation in the School Attendance Review Boards, and programs like "Clean Sweep" and "Let's End Truancy".

During 2005, 12 full-time officers and two half-time officers were stationed at various school districts throughout the Desert, West End, Central and Mountain regions of the County and received a total of approximately 12,000 referrals for a variety of sources.

### ***Community Service Team/Quick Draw***

The Community Service Team/Quick Draw Program has fifteen (15) CST/QD officers assigned to law enforcement agencies throughout the County. In most cases, out of custody police reports are referred to Probation prior to the District Attorney's Office (DA). The CST officer's two primary functions are to provide initial evaluation of all out-of-custody juvenile arrests and to provide services to divert juvenile offenders from the Juvenile Justice System. This may be done through appropriate diversion program referrals and informal supervision. In addition, they provide valuable liaison services between law enforcement, Probation and the DA. Overall, CST officers handled 6,791 of the 9,016 cases submit by law enforcement for prosecutorial review during 2005.

Of the 3,086 cases submitted to the DA with a request that a petition be filed, 600 resulted in the minor being placed on Informal Probation and supervised by CST Officers, pursuant to W&I 654.2. Officers settled 2,736 cases out of court by placing minors on short-term SOC (settled out of court) contracts, which include consequences such as paying victim restitution, performing community service and/or completing Anger Management, Petty Theft or Victim Awareness classes. Informal probation supervision services, pursuant to W&I 654, precluding court involvement, were provided to 309 minors and an additional 660 minors were provided diversion services by their local Youth Accountability Boards. These boards are coordinated and supervised by CST officers.

As a result of the various services provided by the CST program, 3,705 cases were diverted away from the Juvenile Court, saving valuable time and resources for more serious matters. Another 600 cases were provided services after being referred by the Court for informal supervision.

### ***Juvenile Investigations***

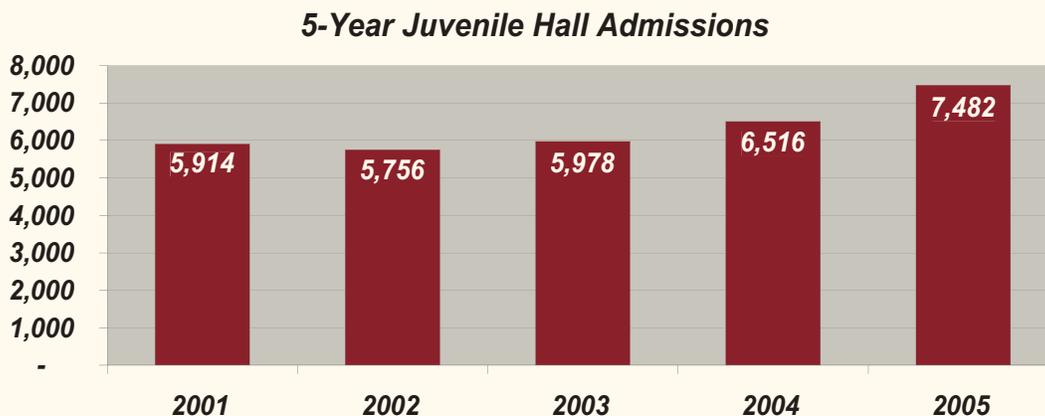
The Juvenile Investigations units are responsible for providing Dispositional and Fitness reports to the Court, which include recommendations such as declaration of wardship, probation, terms and conditions, out of home placement, unfitness for the juvenile court (certification to the “adult” court, or commitment to the California Youth Authority or CYA. These units also respond to the Court’s requests for information regarding restitution, school attendance and parental information. They also complete case plans mandated by AB 575.

The primary function of Juvenile Investigations is to provide the Court with a social study of the minor and legal recommendation for the dispositional hearing. The study results in a legally required report which assists the Juvenile Court in reaching a dispositional decision concerning the juvenile. Other recommendations submitted to the Court may include: Deferred Entry of Judgment, Informal Probation, Summary Probation, Wardship and Formal Probation, out of home Placement, and commitments to the CYA. Once the investigation is complete and the Court imposes disposition, the case is transferred to the appropriate unit to comply with the Court’s order. Investigators completed 3,169 investigations for 2005.

### ***Juvenile Case Management***

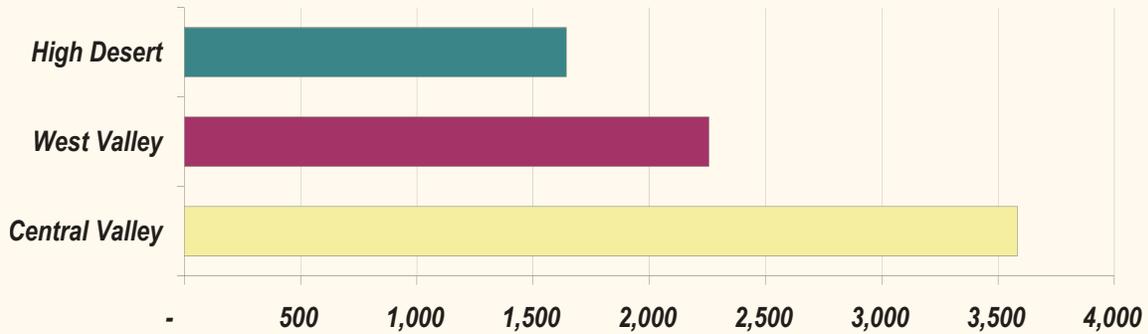
27 probation officers from the three (3) regions--San Bernardino, West Valley, and the Desert--are assigned to regular juvenile case management caseloads. They supervise juvenile offenders on wardship and nonwardship terms of supervised probation. At the end of 2005, 2,330 juveniles were under supervision. During 2005, probation officers made 1,182 arrests, conducted 7,098 searches, and confiscated 48 weapons and 188 items of contraband. During 2005, officers gave over 7,000 counseling/community service component referrals to juvenile probationers, and nearly 3,600 of those components were completed--a 51% success rate.

The following graph represents a five year comparison of Juvenile Hall admissions:



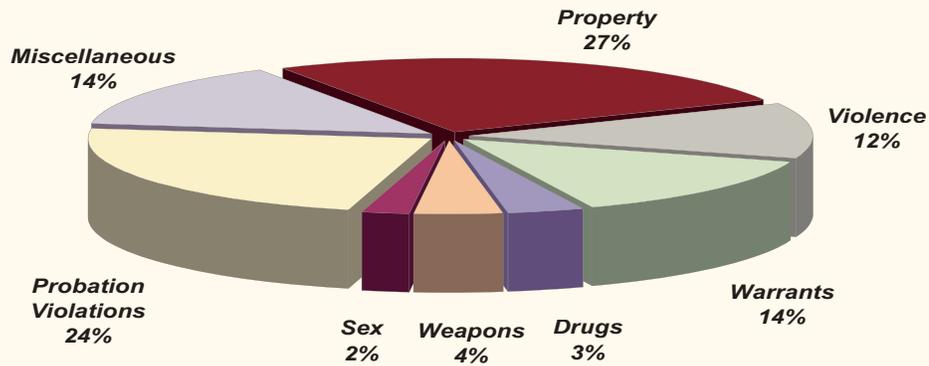
*This graph represents the total number of juvenile admissions (7,482) reported separately by each of the regional detention and assessment centers for calendar year 2005.*

**2005 Admissions by Institution**



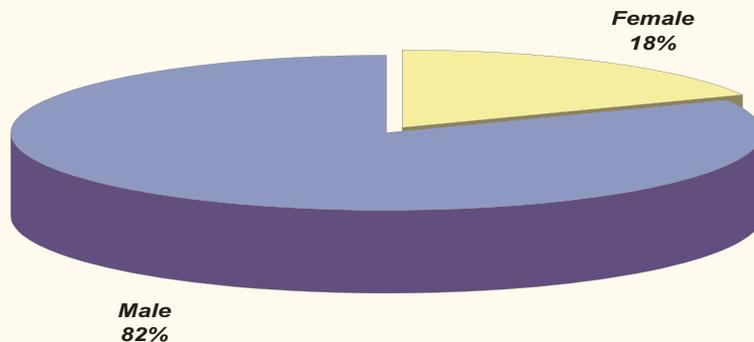
*This graph represents the percent of juvenile admissions by type of crime for the calendar year 2005.*

**2005 Juvenile Hall Bookings by Crime**



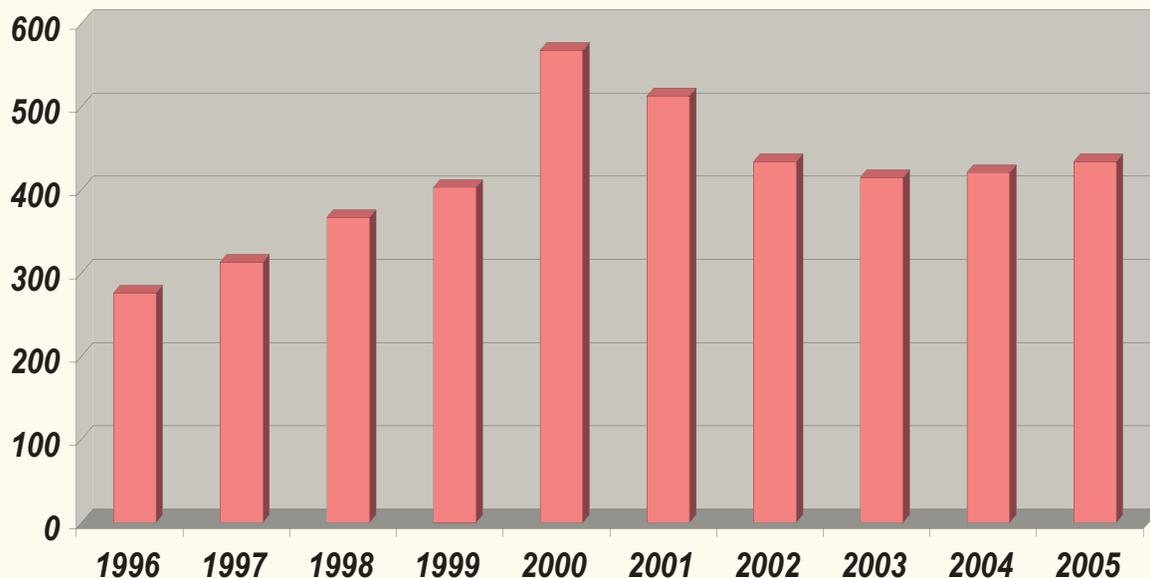
*This graph represents the total proportion of male and female juvenile admissions to the county's juvenile detention and assessment centers for calendar year 2005.*

**2005 Juvenile Hall Admissions by Gender**



*This graph represents the annual average daily population of juveniles housed in the county's juvenile detention and assessment centers for the ten-year period ending December 2005.*

### 10-Year Juvenile Hall Average Daily Population



#### ***Youth Justice Center***

Since 1992, the Youth Justice Center (YJC) has provided a wide range of law enforcement, treatment and educational options for at-risk youth and their families. Component programs offered include anger management, weapons diversion, petty theft, victim awareness, tutoring, communication skills workshop, drug and alcohol prevention and parenting classes. The YJC is also the site for community service projects through the Bridges Program (See Detention Corrections Bureau).

A significant element of the YJC is the Galaxy Community School. This school serves middle school through high school students who have been suspended or expelled from their respective school districts. For 2005, the average daily student-body population was 55.

The Juvenile Supervision unit is also located at the YJC. This unit was comprised of twelve (12) “unarmed” personnel until mid-year, when the Chief Probation Officer “armed” the unit for defensive and officer safety reasons.

The YJC also houses one SUCCESS unit and the facilities are utilized for a wide range of counseling and rehabilitative programs in the afternoon and evenings.

In August 2006, the Center is scheduled to relocate back to its original site at the Central Juvenile Hall/Juvenile Court complex at 900 Gilbert Street in San Bernardino.

### ***High Desert Day Reporting Center (HDDRC)***

December 2005 marked the third full year for the Probation Department's on-site Community School and AB 1913-funded counseling and component classes at the HDDRC in Victorville. High Desert Project Focus has been instrumental in working with the Probation Department to open and operate the Center. High Desert Focus volunteers and Board Members continue to provide guidance and financial support to the HDDRC. Prior to the opening of the HDDRC there were minimal and inconsistent juvenile counseling facilities in the High Desert.

More than 4,000 minors have been referred to classes, programs, counseling, and tutoring services since the opening of the HDDRC in October of 2002. Ongoing referrals are received from the superior courts, traffic courts, schools, concerned parents, probation officers and other county agencies. Additional classes were added in 2005, due to an increase in referrals and classes with long waiting lists. Classes range from Anger Management, Substance Abuse, and Petty Theft Diversion to more intensive classes to meet adolescent psychological needs.

Between 400 and 900 minors attended programming each month in 2005. Additionally, over 300 families received individual counseling and tutoring in the community with counseling providers. The HDDRC has three dedicated Volunteers in Probation who assist in the various components of the program.

The total number of minors referred to component classes for the year (such as Anger Management, Drug class, etc.) was 506, with 134 completing the classes. Classes are from 4 to 12 weeks long, there are usually about 20 classes available, and minors may attend multiple classes.

In addition, 308 minors and/or families were referred to individual or family counseling. Counseling was provided by contracted community-based organizations.

### ***Success Program***

The Success Program provides intensive supervision to high-risk juvenile offenders who are potential candidates for removal from the home of their parents into private placement. Through the use of intermediate sanctions and close supervision, the parents of SUCCESS minors have been provided additional alternatives to control negative behavior. Individual caseload sizes allow for a greater frequency of contact between the probation officer and the minor. During 2005, probation officers averaged approximately 529 cases each month, of which more than 66% of the minors in the program completed probation and were dismissed from wardship or were stabilized enough to transfer to a regular supervision caseload.

### ***Intervention & Management of Probationer Accountability and Compliance of Terms (IMPACT)***

The IMPACT program is a federally funded program under the Bureau of Justice Administration. Initially the program consisted of five teams, which included a City of San Bernardino Police Officer and a Probation Officer. The teams partnered to make nighttime (or Night Light) contacts primarily with "at-risk" juveniles assigned to probation supervision. However, in 2005 the number of IMPACT teams was reduced from five to one due to a reduction in grant funding. As a result, the overall program reorganized in 2005, reassessing and identifying four primary objectives for the IMPACT/Night Light program. First, to increase the number of juvenile contacts within high crime areas during nighttime hours. Second, to provide program referrals to juveniles identified as "at-risk" but not involved in criminal conduct or activity. Program referrals will be made to programs and activities identified through the Gang Prevention Unit. Third, to identify and complete field identification cards for identified gang members and gang associates. And fourth, to make arrests when necessary for new law and probation violations.

Although the program lost four essential teams, the program gained an “IMPACT/Day Light” officer position in November 2005. The Day Light position will be based within the San Bernardino City Schools Administration Offices. The five objectives of the Day Light position are primarily to act as a liaison between Probation, local law enforcement and school sites to coordinate the dissemination of gang intelligence information. Secondly, to receive referrals from the Night Light officer for juveniles contacted and referred for services. Third, to identify “at-risk” students based upon referrals from teachers, counselors, parents, and/or guardians. Fourth, to make referrals to community based programs for “at-risk” juveniles based upon identified issues. And fifth, to provide training to school personnel and to facilitate workshops for students and parents based upon referrals.

Despite various changes to the initial program, the IMPACT team averages twenty-five contacts each month, with a small portion resulting in arrests.

### ***Treatment Services Division***

The Camp Heart Bar (CHB) program for boys and the Regional Youth Educational Facility (RYEF) for Girls and Boys are juvenile institutions staffed by Probation Corrections Officers. They are designed for minors that have been removed from their homes by court order.

During 2005, two treatment components were modified and added to the CHB and RYEF programs--the A.R.T. and Matrix programs. The A.R.T (Aggression Replacement Training) program is designed to teach minors to identify elements of a situation and learn to re-assess the situation without acting out of instinct. The Matrix program is designed to address substance abuse and teach minors to cope with issues related to anger management. The curriculum also teaches elements leading to abuse of one self and others.

### ***Camp Heart Bar***

Camp Heart Bar receives and accepts approximately 80 male cadets annually of which 95% graduate successfully. Throughout the year, Camp Heart Bar assists each cadet in building their life skills, working skills, livelihood and teaches them appropriate social norms. Camp Heart Bar has the capacity to hold 20 minors. The following are the highlights for the year 2005:

- Cadets performed 13,030 hours of work in the National Forest at a labor cost value of \$299,690. Since 1999, Cadets have provided \$1,343,600 in labor cost savings and with a total of 58,419 hours of service provided to the state of California.
- Cadets completed over 1,000 community service hours.
- Twelve cadets received their GED.
- The cadets also participate weekly in the California State Literacy Program. This program is designed to address special needs students in reading and writing comprehension.

During 2005, cadets also participated in a number of recreational and educational field activities:

- Reagan Library
- Museum of Tolerance
- Body Building Contest
- Coon Creek Cabin Hike
- Fishing trips to Jenks Lake
- March Air Force Base museum
- Art museums in Santa Monica and Los Angeles
- Plays at the Redlands Bowl and Footlighters Theater

Other projects included:

- Clearing weeds at Prospect Park in Redlands.
- Splitting firewood for Morning Star Campground.
- Cleaning animal cages at Moonridge Zoo in Big Bear.
- All Cadets successfully passing the Food Handler’s Examination.
- Assisting in the 2005 Olympic Cycling Trials held in Moreno Valley.
- Assisting with the annual fishing derby at Jenks Lake for at-risk youth.

- Maintaining of walking trails at the Early Man dig site at Calico in Barstow.
- Landscaping and maintenance assistance at Wildhaven, an animal assistance center.
- Assisting with traffic control for the Redlands Bicycle Classic and Guasti Mana 5K Run.
- Cleaning up trash at Yucaipa Regional Park after the Fourth of July fireworks celebration.
- Performing numerous Color Guard ceremonies for Departmental and community activities.
- Two cadets successfully completed a two-week Fire Academy conducted by the US Forestry Department and California Conservation Corp. The Mojave Greens Fire Crew in Victorville currently employs one of those cadets.

Currently, the program is undertaking 7 components of which 2 are new to the facility:

1. A.R.T. Program.
2. Matrix Program.
3. Cadets received certified CPR and First Aid training through the American Red Cross.
4. The Military component is designed to teach each cadet the value of teamwork. This is focused and geared towards learning to:
  - i. Respect for the law, their parents, teachers, themselves, and society.
  - ii. Experience the value, concept, and understanding of what a leader is; and offers a chance to become one.
5. The Food Handler's class is designed to teach and instill hygienic procedures, work ethics, and the value of what it means to perform a job above average.
6. A Male Improvement Program component was added, sponsored by the Public Health Department, that emphasizes a man's responsibility pertaining to relationships and his own sexuality.
7. The Oral Boards component is designed to prepare cadets for job interviews, test their knowledge of the camp environment, rules, history, and regulations.

CHB staff continues to receive letters throughout the year from the parents thanking the staff for positively influencing their child's life and having a positive impact on their behavior upon leaving the facility.

### ***Regional Youth Educational Facility - Boys & Girls Programs***

The RYEF is a residential treatment facility for both boys and girls operated by the Probation Department. The A.R.T. and Matrix programs were implemented and R.O.P. (Regional Occupational Program) was enhanced to include the Forest Service.

The Boys program is a six-month program for 16 to 18 year old males and currently is operating with a 20-bed capacity. In 2005, 16 minors obtained their G.E.D., 4 minors enrolled in Community College Classes, 19 minors became employed and several others entered as a team in a city basketball league.

The Girls program is a 30-bed, six-month program designed for female offenders from 14 to 18 years of age. The program is known for working with chronic runaways and girls with mental health issues.

The Program's treatment components for the respective minors may include:

- Anger Management
- College and Trade School Classes
- Community Service Projects
- Competency Based Remedial Education
- G.E.D. Preparation and Testing
- Gang Intervention
- Girl Scouts
- Independent Living Skills
- Literacy Program
- Parenting & Sex Education
- Part-time Employment
- Planned Parenting
- Regional Occupational Program
- Restitution Payment
- Self Esteem Program
- Sexual Assault
- Substance Abuse
- Victim's Awareness Program

The R.O.P. program provides the minors with job development skills, self esteem building, teamwork, dedication, application process and a number of positive alternatives to crime. The relationship with the Forest Service has grown stronger through campsite maintenance projects. For 2005, the program contributed 2,761 man hours and has earned approximately \$23,000 in revenue which is used for future program incentives.

A number of the minors have gained employment with the Conservation Corps and Forestry Work Crews. The job development opportunities have been a great asset for program minors by providing motivation to succeed after returning to their communities.

In October of 2005, the RYEF and Heart Bar program also participated at the Annual KIT (Kids in Transition) Games, where the minors compete in various athletic and academic challenges. Probation, County Schools, and the US Department of Forestry sponsored the event and the minors and the staff again admirably represented the programs.

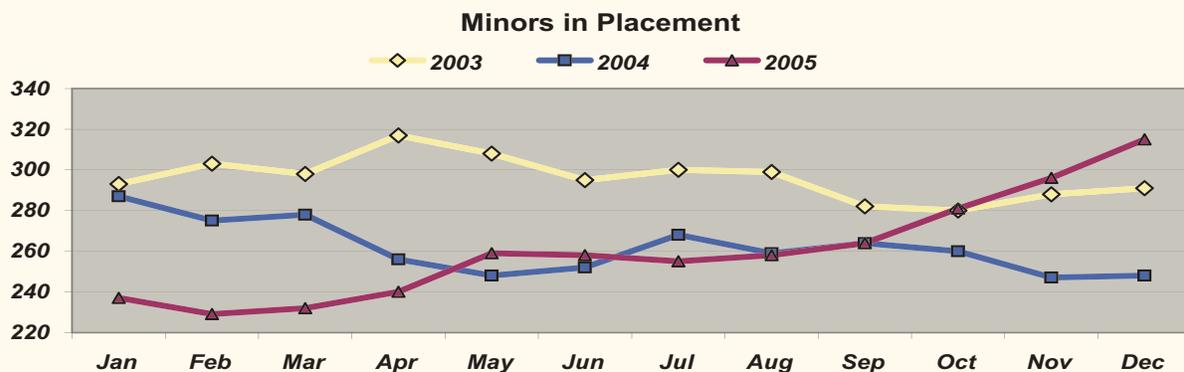
### ***Placement Services***

Placement Services continues to utilize the Lodge Makers facility in Hesperia, California, and at any given time houses approximately 75-80 youth receiving treatment whose cases are adjudicated by the Juvenile Court.

During 2005, the average number of minors maintained in court-ordered out-of-home placement was 260 per month. During the last half of the year, however, the number of placement recommendations increased till year-end placements equaled 315. In addition, an average of approximately forty-three (43) minors were detained monthly in the Department's three juvenile detention and assessment centers pending suitable out of home placement.

Despite the sharp increase in placements at year end, the average number of minors in placement remained the same as 2004. For 2005, the average cost per minor for placement dropped nearly 20% from \$4,617.00 per month in 2004 to \$3,727.00 per month in 2005.

One of the main goals for 2006 is to utilize better mental health programs for placement minors.



### ***Aftercare Unit***

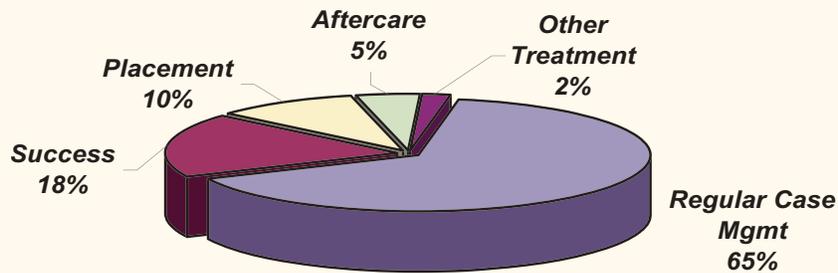
The San Bernardino County Probation Department Aftercare Unit's mission is to assist in the successful transition of post-placement youth as they return to the community. Aftercare officers maintain regular contact with probation youth and attempt to bridge successes achieved in placement, with the realistic challenges they face upon returning to their respective homes. Aftercare contact also includes interaction with the minors' parents, the local schools and community resource providers. Once minors have been able to establish and maintain a stabilized pattern of responsible behavior in the community, their case is referred to the Court for discharge from Probation supervision. The average period for Aftercare supervision ranged from three to six months.

The Aftercare Unit works with the Placement Unit in regard to the specifics of a minor who will be coming to Aftercare supervision and continuing implementation of the established case plan. Aftercare also works with the Independent Living Skills Program (ILSP), which is a valuable resource that assists youth with acquisition of basic life skills, career exploration and job preparation.

Throughout 2005, the Aftercare Unit received 348 new referrals of minors, who were located throughout the county. This was a challenging situation considering that only 10 (ten) probation officers serviced the entire county. Nevertheless, the Aftercare staff was up to the challenge and consistently provided quality case management services to our Probation youth and their families. Of the 262 youth who were dismissed and discharged from Probation supervision in 2005, 193 (73%) were considered successful terminations, whereas 69 (27%) were considered unsuccessful.

### Distribution of All Juvenile Services

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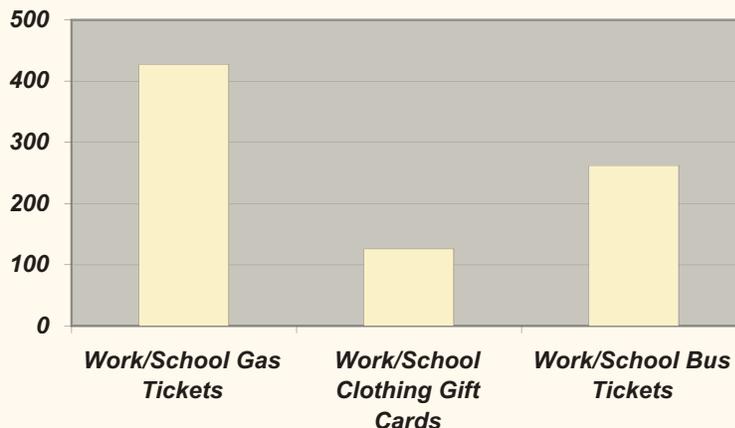
### Independent Living Skills Program

The federally funded Independent Living Skills Program (ILSP) helps prepare probation youth, who have been in private out-of-home placement, gain skills they need to be adults. This is a nationwide program designed to provide abilities, such as basic life skills, career exploration and job preparation. ILSP also offers youth assistance in securing their own apartments, transportation, clothing, education and tutoring.

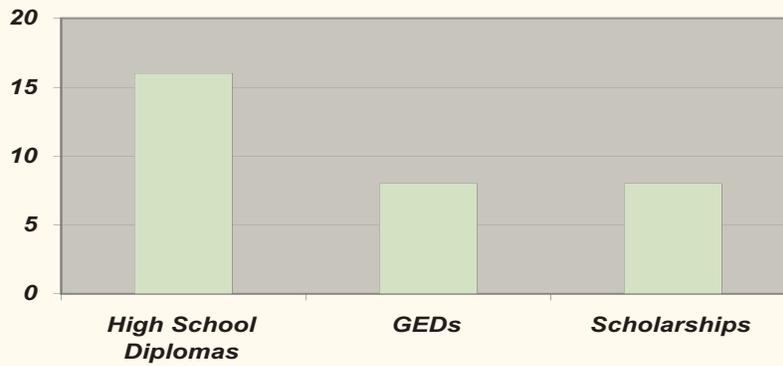
During 2005, approximately 275 youth participated in special events such as “Independent City,” “Health Fair,” “High Desert Conference,” and “Job Fair.” Additionally, over 570 youth took part in other skills classes held throughout the year in the San Bernardino Valley, West Valley and High Desert areas. Many youth participated in parenting classes while others participated in computer courses designed to make available for them a new computer at the end of their session. In June of each year, a graduation ceremony is held to acknowledge those who graduate or successfully pass with completion of their G.E.D. (General Education Degree).

The graphs below and on the following page highlight the allocation of funding and the result of program assistance given to youth enrolled in the program. They also illustrate some of the successful program outcomes these services have helped to create.

### 2005 ILSP Program Assistance

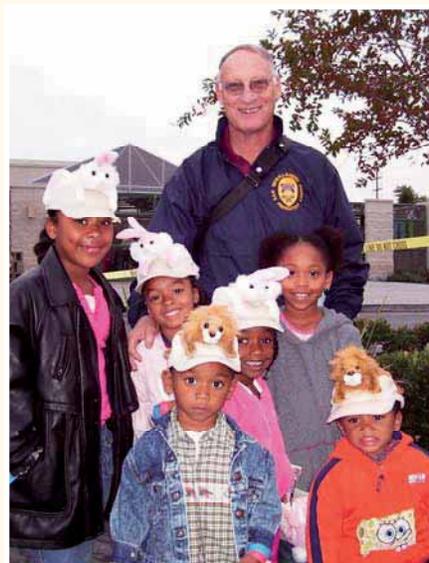


2005 ILSP Program Outcomes



*Camp Heart Bar Cadet*

*Juvenile Services*



*Chief Harper with the Children*

# *San Bernardino County Sheriff's Department*



*Appendix 8*

**The Sheriff's Department** is wholly committed to the concept and implementation of community-oriented policing in the pursuit of greater protections for youth; in fact, our Department was an early pioneer in the development of COP programs. Early on, we had devised an extensive Neighborhood Watch program, and were among the first to participate in DARE. The Department was soon designing programs of its own, including such success stories as the "Choices" juvenile delinquency program, and the Operation CleanSWEEP school safety program. The Department pounced on the idea of Arizona's Crime Free Multihousing program, and imported it to San Bernardino County. And, working in collaboration with other local law enforcement agencies, the department was instrumental in forging the SMASH anti-gang program. It also works closely with County agencies to care for drug-exposed children at clandestine drug lab sites.

The **Juvenile Intervention Program** is part of our approach to alleviating the problem of juvenile misbehavior. Referred youth are taken on guided tours of county jail facilities. While there, the teens are confronted with inmates who take them to task for their delinquency, and the young people are made to wear prison garb and eat prison food. This is not a "Scared Straight" program in the usual sense of the term; the emphasis is not on terrorizing the program participants, but on simply familiarizing them with the whole incarceration experience. It is hoped that this 4-to-5 hour education will open the eyes of still-impressionable youth, and deter them from criminal acts in the future.

For the year 2005, JIP hosted a number of jail tours at our Central Detention Center and one at the Barstow facility in the high desert. Over 450 youth participated in these excursions. Current follow-up investigations reveal that **72%** of these kids are responding favorably to the experience, as reported by their parents. We are currently holding two programs a month on alternating Mondays; one for males and the other for females.

The Department's **Crimes Against Children** detail works tirelessly to prosecute those who victimize children, and its numbers speak of its success: in the last twelve months the unit has made **134** arrests for PC 288 (lewd and lascivious acts with a child), **37** arrests for PC 311 (child pornography), **34** for PC 273 (willful harm to a child), **49** for PC 290 sex offender violations, and **six** for "mental abuse" violations.

Many of the Children's Network partners are familiar with the Sheriff's **Operation CleanSWEEP** school safety program, which had been helping make more secure campuses since 1997. Some **50,000** schoolchildren throughout the County are served by this innovative mix of elements, which includes juvenile citation, security assessments, educational presentations, and crisis response training. School administrators are actually trained in the writing of citations for crimes committed on campus, and those same administrators report **90 to 95%** level of satisfaction with the program. By bringing guest speakers on campus, and then by lending a helping hand to school disciplinary efforts CleanSWEEP helps kids by making their school environment safer and more conducive to learning.

**In Pursuit of Justice**

**SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY  
DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE**



*Appendix 9*



County of San Bernardino  
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## Mission Statement

Truancy is often the gateway to juvenile delinquency and more serious adult crime. We want to help keep children in school and out of trouble by assisting schools and others involved with children. The San Bernardino County District Attorney's Office has made *reducing truancy a priority*.

Truancy is a problem where everyone loses, so it is critical we work together to resolve it. The L.E.T. Program makes this possible. The L.E.T. (Let's End Truancy) Program is funded by AB1913 funds since the year 2000. Three senior Deputy District Attorneys and two secretaries are assigned to the unit. L.E.T. offers the community a new tool to combat juvenile criminality by keeping kids in school.

The L.E.T. Program operates in the three District Attorney's Juvenile Offices, located in three geographical areas of the county to provide service countywide. The addresses and contact numbers are listed below:

### **San Bernardino**

900 E. Gilbert St.  
San Bernardino, CA 92415  
Phone: (909) 387 - 6985  
Fax: (909) 387 - 6987

### **Rancho Cucamonga**

10565 Civic Center Dr. Suite 200, West Building  
Rancho Cucamonga, CA 91730  
Phone: (909) 945 - 6032  
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### **Victorville**

14440 Civic Dr., Bldg. A,  
Victorville, CA 92392  
Phone: (760) 951-3400; Fax: (760) 951-3422

Deputies assigned to the L.E.T. Program travel the county, visit school sites, attend SARB meetings, speak to groups of parents and do what ever needs to be done to combat the problem of truancy. As a last resort criminal charges may be filed against the parents for contributing to the delinquency of a minor. In rare cases charges against the minors for failure to attend school can be filed in juvenile court.

In the school year of 2005/2006 the L.E.T. Program monitored the attendance of 6,892 students. A total of 3,956 students left L.E.T. during the year. Of these, 63% of minors were successful in improving attendance. This means their attendance improved and they were not suspended, expelled, arrested or incarcerated during the time that they were monitored.

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